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the PRESIDENT'S column

Most important of the December Executive Committee actions of N.A.E. were to order the writing of a new series of Evangelical Uniform Sunday School lessons. For many years discontent from widespread areas has been expressed concerning the International Uniform Lesson Series. Requests have come to N.A.E. to initiate a new uniform series. This undertaking will be of incalculable help to evangelicals who today are at a loss to know what to use in supplementary sources along with the All Scripture Lesson series, the Gospel Light series, and the Roper series. Dr. Clarence Benson is chairman of this committee and the work will be done under the auspices of the Committee on Education of N.A.E.

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The Executive Committee also placed N.A.E. on record as squarely behind and strongly endorsing the Evangelical Teacher's Training Association and its requirements to implement effective training of Sunday School teachers. It is a happy circumstance that this organization is already in the field and that close connections may exist between it and N.A.E.

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The Evangelistic Conference being seized upon [illegible] national and local [illegible]

A NATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER FOR REVIVAL

One national problem cannot be solved by a military victory, unless we experience a world-wide spiritual awakening.

Believing that God still answers the fervent and faithful prayers of His people, we call upon all believers to humbly confess our national and individual sins and backsliding, implorating forgiveness and pleading for an outpouring of God's Spirit upon our sin-sick and distracted world.

We commend the efforts to bring Christians together in prayer groups in churches, homes and other places of assembly, and urge the extension of such efforts to arouse men everywhere to a sense of spiritual need.

Columbus, Ohio Gets 1944 Convention

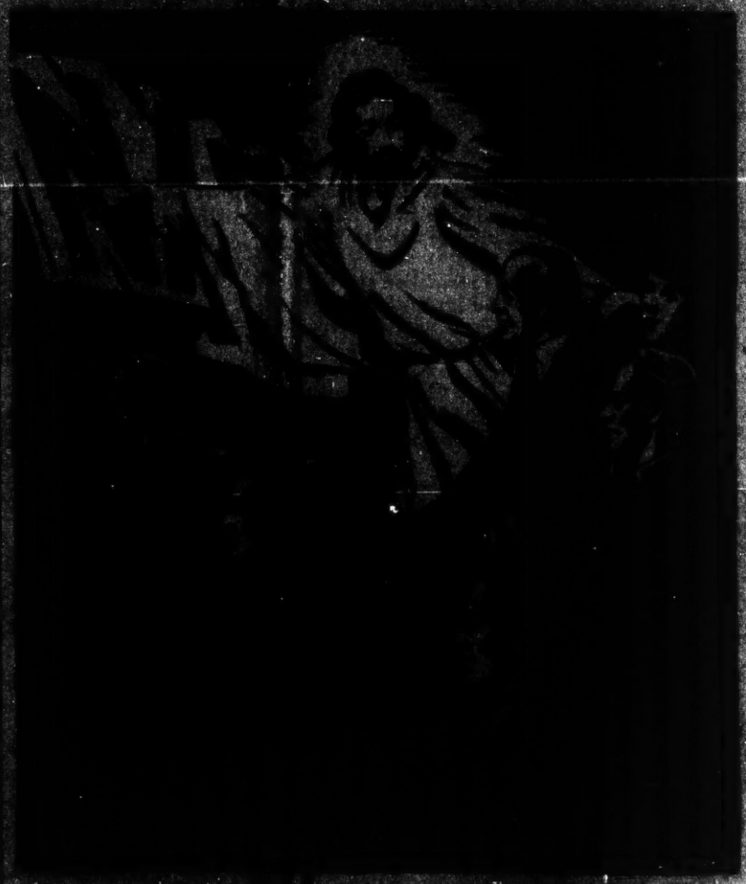
Dates are April 12 to 17

N. A. E. Executive Committee Meets in New York Important Plans Laid

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 — A two-day meeting of the Executive Committee was held here yesterday and today at which decisions were reached of greater importance to the development of the work of the association.

A former plan to hold the 1944 National Convention in Memphis had to be abandoned, due to the convention in hotels was sought. [illegible] It is recognized that the attendance [illegible] 1943 will be exceeded [illegible] Columbus, Ohio, April 12-17. [illegible] Pennsylvania, the Columbus [illegible] 711 Columbus [illegible] Plan, the Pennsylvania Co[illegible]

FORWARD EVANGELICALS!



Gospel [illegible] Crisis in Mexico

New Hampshire N.A.E. Convention

Committee On Education Meets In New York City

Recommended New Uniform Sunday School Lessons Conferences Plans for Publication

by Victor Paul, Jr. Reporter

New York, December 8.—The Committee on Education of the N.A.E. held a [illegible] meeting today in a midtown hotel to confer on plans for Week-Study Courses in Education at the coming National Convention in Columbus, and to develop its strategy with reference to educational institutions and Sunday School work.

In attendance were the following members of the Committee: Bishop Louis R. Mesmer, of Granville, Ill., chairman; Dr. Clarence H. Benson, of Maitland, Fla.; Dr. Gordon Palmer, of Philadelphia; Dr. Stephen W. Paine, of Hoosick, N. Y.; and Dr. Clarence Benson, of Gospel Records, Music. Also in attendance were Dr. J. Elwin Wright, Mr. Carl F. Auke, and Miss Gertrude D. Gill, members of the staff, and Miss Elizabeth M. Evans, of Boston.

The following were appointed as chairmen of the various Week-Study Courses for the National Convention: Christian and Education, Dr. Stephen W. Paine, Schenectady, N. Y.; Christian Poetry and Dr. Gordon Palmer, Bible Institutes, Mr. Howard W. Ferris, of Providence, R. I. and Dr. R. C. McQuilkin, of Columbia, S. C.; Teaching Ministry, Dr. Clarence H. Benson, Professor Emeritus in the Public Schools, Dr. J. P. McCullough, of Chicago; Trust Company Service, Mr. R. C. Gaston, of Wilmington, Ill., and Dr. C. V. Edmonds, of Chicago; Programming Research, Dr. Frank Gaebelein, Chicago; Dr. Clarence Benson, Director of Public [illegible]

Dr Bradbury Main Speaker Of Virginia N.A.E.

ROANOKE, Va.—The [illegible] just held a meeting in Roanoke at the Trinity Methodist Church. The morning session at 10:00 A. M. and the morning session closed at 12:30. At 2:00 o'clock the meeting convened again and the afternoon session closed at 5:00. Again we convened in the evening at 7:30 and closed at 9:30.

At the three sessions Dr. Graham Clayton, pastor of the Riverside Presbyterian Church of Lynchburg, [illegible]

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...ency to study ... of this method ... its application. A ... ...ce is to be held in Lit... ...les in February and ... ...r in Boston next October. ...t the request of the Com... ...e on Evangelism we ... ...all to prayer to all ... ...or a great spiritual ... ...y of our nation, let earnest ... fervent intercession for a ...ty movement of the Spirit ... our people be unanimi... The resurgence of evil in ...fold and pernicious form ... the church to cry unto ... for deliverance. Let us ... with all of like precious ... in spiritual unity for this ... of paramount importance.

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... other columns of this ... the special letter of Mr. ...r Babson sets forth rea... for such a call to prayer. ...e nature of N.A.E. is not ...er-church attempting to ...nt the churches, but a ...mentary organization to ...ate inter-church coopera... ...in fields where churches ...t act alone. It is not in... ...d to take the task of ...elism, education and mis... ...out of the hands of the ...hes, but to implement ...ffectiveness and to pro... ...hem in their God given ... and privileges. It may ...e put: N.A.E. does not ...nt but supplements the ...hes.

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...dence exists that the Fed... ...ouncil monopoly on sus... ... religious time for Pro... ...s is soon to be broken. ...will be an answer to ... and to long effort. Let ...nwhile roll up a mem... ... in N.A.E. of millions ...ns so that we can effec... ...e the medium of evan... ...protestant cooperation ...roadcasting of the gos... ...esus Christ. Many in... ... churches and two de... ...ons were voted into ...hip at the December ...e Committee meeting.

...According the New York ... ...of the Executive Comm... ...Dr. Harold A. Cha... ...of Boston, Bishop Leslie ... ...of Columbia, Mr. ... ...Philadelphia, Mr. H. J. Taylor ...of Chicago, Dr. John W. Bradbury of New York, Dr. Harry J. Flynn of Chicago, Mr. Kenneth S. Keyes of Miami, Dr. Stephen W. Paine of Hoosick Falls, N. Y., Dr. T. Richard Ryan of Baltimore, Dr. J. Elwin Wright, and Miss Gertrude D. Cook of Boston. Also present were the members of the Committee on Education which met on the previous day. Mr. Carl F. Ashe, assistant field director, and Dr. William Ward Ayer, chairman of the Radio Committee.

The report of the Committee on Education was received and approved. (Details of this report appear elsewhere.)

The report of the Committee on Evangelism was received and approved. During the past months a country-wide study of our present national strus-

...requests for assistance from our constituency, we believe that a bureau should be established, both of ministers and evangelists who would be acceptable and available for leadership in special meetings. This bureau should be made accessible to all churches.

Fourthly, an effort should be made to secure the sympathy, cooperation and reporting of all evangelistic organizations. The evangelistic work of these organizations should be reported through our news organ. An effort should be made to channel unique evangelistic news through the secular press.

The National Association should begin to assist in encouraging and establishing regular evangelistic conferences throughout our nation. These ordinarily can be handled

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Park Street Church Holds 20th Radio Anniversary Dinner

The major Gospel broadcasters of New England met at Park Street Church, Boston, on the twentieth anniversary of the continuous Gospel broadcasting from this historic church. The occasion was not only a celebration for Park Street Church, but it marked a cooperative consideration of the problems facing Gospel broadcasters and of the future of Gospel broadcasting.

Addresses were made by Dr. Nathan R. Wood, who broadcasts over WHEB; Dr. Gordon Brownville, who broadcasts over WMEX; Mr. Howard W. Ferris, who broadcasts over the Yankee Network; Rev. John Huffman, who broadcasts over WCOP and WORL and by Dr. William Ward Ayer, who broadcasts over WPN of New York City. Dr. Ayer was the main speaker of the evening and analyzed the problems confronting all Gospel broadcasters. Several stations were represented by their program chairmen or their managers.

As an outcome of this meeting, time has been allotted to the evangelicals over New England's most powerful stations, WBZ and WBZA, members of the National Broadcasting Company.

It is evident that if the evangelical broadcasters and interests will act together and reveal the weight of Christian opinion the monopoly held by the Federal Council of Churches on Protestant sustaining time over the major broadcasting stations can be broken.

...Council and Protestants. The difficulty has always been due to division of Protestants. The majority have stood for the Federal Council as the accredited representatives of Protestant activities. They have maintained that the Federal Council does not speak for the majority of Protestants, it does speak for a large section and the only section with aggressive aspirations of unity. Thus, the Federal Council has come to enjoy a virtual monopoly of free broadcasting so far as Protestants are concerned.

This was the situation when N.A.E. was organized in temporary form. At once it commenced a campaign to convince the broadcasters that a revision of the allotment of time should be instituted so that evangelicals would share the privilege of the air on an equitable basis. This right has been conceded by the networks from the time the matter was presented to them at Columbus in May, 1942.

DOWN TO THE PRESENT MOMENT NO APPLICATION FOR FREE TIME HAS BEEN MADE BY N.A.E. We have not yet reached the numerical strength which was suggested by the networks as the minimum requirement for a broadcaster of national coverage. It is evident that this requirement has been revised downward by one network. We have no fear that there will be any discrimination against us when application is made.

But let no one miss this point. Free broadcasting is desirable, but it does not solve the major problem. If the amount of free time available is allotted equitably among evangelical organizations there will be little opportunity for expression on the part of any one group. Fifteen minutes a year—if divided into fifty-two parts—is not much time for one of fifty-two organizations to bring its message. On the other hand, if one organization monopolizes all this time there is sure to be justifiable dissatisfaction. That is why free broadcasting on any basis likely to be obtained is of limited benefit in the solution of our major difficulty.

Our main drive from the beginning has been the protection of the right of gospel broadcasters to do three things:

First, to be guaranteed the right to preach doctrinal sermons over the air. This was in danger in 1942. The N.A.E. was the only organization on the spot to protest the infringement of this right. We won our point and it has never been questioned since.

Secondly, the right to buy time for gospel broadcasting over national networks and local stations. This right was protected solely as a result of the protests of N.A.E. representatives in May, 1942, again in May, 1943 at the Columbus conferences and finally before the Code Committee of the National Association of Broadcasters in June, 1943. NO OTHER ORGANIZATION MADE ANY EFFORT TO PROTECT THESE RIGHTS.

However, at best, we could only hard open the channels which had not already been closed on local stations and

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...Rev. Wm. Ward Ayer, president of the Board of Managers of N.A.E. Dr. Laurence Fisher of Boston, chairman of the New England Radio Gospel Association and Chaplain Robert Evans of the United States Navy, now stationed at Portsmouth. Rev. Ivar Sellevaag of Portsmouth, explained the purpose and purpose of the National Association of Evangelicals. Rev. Leonard Smith of Seattle, Wash., in devotions and Rev. F. W. Fitzpatrick conducted a period of intercession. The Lord's presence was manifest throughout the sessions and there seemed to be a cry for revival in nearly every heart.

A state conference of the National Association was formed with the Rev. Ivar Sellevaag as chairman; Rev. Guy Edward Mark, vice-chairman; Rev. Dale Gibb, Candia, secretary; Rev. Ariel Ainsworth, Rochester, treasurer; key men, Rev. Howard Hawks, Keene; Rev. Milton Baker, Hampton Falls; Rev. Leonard Smith, Lacoste; Rev. Buell Mayfield, Dover and Rev. Ralph Bailey, Rumney.

Among the resolutions adopted was the following: "Resolved: That the New Hampshire Conference of the National Association of Evangelicals go on record as being opposed to the change and curtailment in the radio time allotted to the Dudley Radio Carolina of the Providence Bible Institute. Be it further resolved that we most earnestly request that this program be restored to its former status."

It was voted to have quarterly meetings. The first quarterly meeting will be held in the First Christian Church, Laconia. Rev. Leonard Smith, pastor, in the early Spring season.

In the afternoon session Mr. Wade McCrory, secretary of a Richmond department store, spoke on the need of revival; Mr. J. K. Spencer spoke on the need for an organization like N.A.E.; Rev. W. Harry Clarke, pastor of the Highland Park Baptist Church, spoke on "Working Together at Chicago" and Mr. B. L. Fisher, President of Lee Telephone Company, spoke on "Prayer at the Chicago Meeting." Dr. Bradbury conducted a forum in which questions concerning the N.A.E. were invited. Many questions, testimonials and enthusiastic statements as to the work were heard and discussed.

The evening session included a message from the Rev. W. E. Sampson, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church of Richmond, on "The Bible Exalted at Chicago." The feature of the evening meeting was a closing address by Dr. Bradbury, whose theme was "Hindrances to Revival." Dr. Bradbury magnificently stressed the need for much prayer and cited the fact that modern prayerless churches and Christians are the biggest hindrance to a real revival in the land.

In the late winter or early spring of 1944 the committee in Virginia plans a series of three consecutive meetings in the Hampton Roads Area of the State. Dr. Bradbury has already consented to speak at all three of these meetings to be held in the three cities of Portsmouth, Norfolk and Newport News. Other speakers will be announced later. A local committee for this section of Virginia is being organized and will include members from a number of denominations. The dates have not yet been announced, but will be ... the ...

...the Word.

A motion was carried ... ...cooperating in ... ...with the N.A.E. ... ...Sunday School and ... ...the International ... ...the Standard and ... ...Course of the ... ...Teacher Training ...

Dr. Harry E. Lewis was named chairman of a ... ...committee to survey the field ... ...of Bible Institutes and ... ...a picture of the national situation in this field at the National Convention.

A motion prevailed that the Committee recommend to the Executive Committee that action be taken at the National Convention to set up an independent outline for uniform Sunday School lessons under N.A.E.

Dr. Clarence H. Benson was named as chairman of the committee on Curriculum ... Religious Instruction ... Elizabeth M. Evans as secretary.

All chairmen of subcommittees were authorized to add to their committees.

Detroit Churches Set Good Example

At a recent Conference of the United Brethren in Christ in the Detroit area it was decided as a body to make all their native pastors contributing members in the National Association. Rev. Lloyd Eby, the superintendent of the Detroit Conference, is strongly affiliated with the Association of Evangelicals and is using his influence to further the Cause among the churches in his area. It is hoped by many of the men that at the next United Brethren Conference in 1945 there will be a contagious action in favor of membership in the National Association.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EVANGELICALS — STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative word of God.

2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

3. We believe in the deity of Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.

4. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.

5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.

6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.

7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Christ.

N. A. E.'s SUPREME OBJECTIVE

Perhaps there should be at this juncture a frank statement of the Objectives vs. The Objective which brought N. A. E. into existence. In the minds of many people this still may not be clear.

There has been a great deal of discussion about the inroads of modernism, the menace of organized apostate movements and the need of concerted action on the part of evangelicals to prevent their movements from becoming increasingly apostatic. All this is interesting and important. We hope and believe that [illegible] may be under God both in the de[illegible] [illegible] given to the subject of [illegible] logically, upon which even [illegible] unanimously. This, too, is an essential part of our aims, but it is [illegible] financially [illegible] to be a possible Objective. It is a means to an end, but not The [illegible]

[illegible] work of spiritual success. This again, is in direct line with our Objective.

In all these matters we are conscious of the need of a revival in the hearts of our leaders before there can be a revival in the world at large. Our great national convention at Columbus next April and all our regional and local conferences should be centered in the preparation of our hearts for a new outpouring of the Spirit of God without which our efforts will fall to the ground.

Do we really want the world evangelized? Or are we more interested in building organizations? Do we want souls saved or do we want to be able to make glowing statistical reports? May God purify every motive of our hearts and clarify our vision regarding our Objective and the means of attaining it.

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N. A. E. Organization Pattern

The following form has been evolved from need and experience for the organization of the National Association of Evangelicals. First, the local association; second, the state association; third, the regional association; and last, the national association.

In some cases the state association and the regional are identical — where geographical boundaries so dictate. In other cases the state association is unnecessary. But in New England, where the regional association includes six states, it is necessary to have the intermediary step of the state association between the local and the regional associations.

The local association includes a town, city, or metropolitan area. All churches and individuals belonging to the National Association hold membership in these local associations. Whenever these local associations meet the standards established by the National Association they shall receive one-half of all undesignated gifts made by churches in their local associations. These local associations are autonomous and shall employ such persons as are desirable.

The regional associations are composed of all local associations, churches and individual members within their area. The regional committee shall supervise activities, stimulate new local association, and recruit members in the geographical area of its authority. Its secretary shall be employed by and be responsible to the National Association. One-half of all funds derived from individual membership shall be refunded to the regional associations for the purpose of financing their budgets.

The National Association will continue as the central clearing house of all activities, policies and fields of endeavor. To it belong all denominations, organizations, institutions, missions, and churches. It will be financed by one-half of all individual membership, one-half of all church gifts, all gifts of [illegible] the founding membership [illegible] and all gifts to [illegible] the organizational fund of N. A. E.

Roger Babson Speaks

In the special letter written by Roger Babson [illegible] Babson [illegible] printed below, are combined two issues which are accurately analyzed. The first [illegible]

"Roving Reporter" . . . . .

Things are fairly humming at the Boston office of N. A. E. these days, with five secretaries trying hard to keep up with the dictation and other office details. Mr. Charles Campbell, our U. E. A. business manager and Mr. Carl F. Ashe, of our field force, are both planning great things for their respective departments.

Our readers will note that regular stated meetings are being held by a number of our local committees. Visitors are always welcome to drop in when in town. Consult the advertisement on page 8 for further information.

A good standard typewriter, a metal filing cabinet, a good walnut or mahogany bookcase and a four to eight compartment 3" x 5" card file are needed at once for our Washington office. Correspond with the Boston office if you have any of the desired items.

Dr. C. H. Suckau, pastor of the large Mennonite Church at Berne, Indiana (member of N.A.E.) has resigned to accept the Presidency of the Faith Bible Institute in Omaha. His new duties will commence January 1, 1944.

The New England Regional Committee, under the efficient leadership of Dr. James T. Rider, is making real strides. All the states are being organized with strong committees and plans are being advanced for important union efforts during the coming year. Among other things, the Eastern Massachusetts committee is sponsoring a series of down town noon services in Boston during the week of prayer with Dr. Richard Ellsworth Day as the speaker. Dr. Day is also carrying on a series at Ruggles Street Baptist Church during the same period.

One of the important meetings of the new year will be the Alabama State Conference of N.A.E. in Birmingham January 12 to 14. The First Methodist Church, where the sessions will be held, is in the heart of the downtown section. Notice of the strong group of speakers and other details are given elsewhere in the paper.

Uncle Joe Stalin's popularity has greatly increased during the past two years. It takes a surprisingly short time for the public to forget his long record of intrigue and murder. I wonder if we will pay dearly a few years hence for our willingness to enter into treaties with those who have demonstrated their disrespect for the sanctity of agreements on so many occasions. We still maintain that Joe Stalin is interested first, last and always in Joe Stalin as ruthless dictator of as much of the world as he can grab. Uncle Sam had better keep his hand on his pocket book and his eye on Joe's concealed club.

It is right that all Christians should be interested in a just and durable peace. Let's not imagine for a moment, however, that this sort of peace is to be obtained by inviting aggressor nations to sit down on equal terms around the peace table and have a part in the organization and administration of a world government. It is to be hoped that we are fighting for free[illegible] our sovereignty. But that is exactly what some modernists are advocating. They are just as for strong now as they were when they preached pacifism in the 20's and 30's.

Rev. Clifford Lewis who has accepted the chairmanship of the Work Study Group in Youth Evangelism for the National Convention of N.A.E. in 1944 is one of the most [illegible]

The New Year — A Mountain!

by [illegible] W. FERRIN

President Providence Bible Institute of Providence, R. I., and Member of the Board of Administration of N.A.E.

Joshua 17:17: And Joshua spake unto the house of Joseph, even to Ephraim and to Manasseh, saying, Thou art a great people, and hast great power; thou shalt not have one lot only.

Mountains in the natural world are always inspiring. There is connected with them a charm so powerful that the merest mention of them, the merest sketch of their magnificent features, kindles the imagination and carries the spirit at once into the bosom of their enchanted region. Wordsworth said there were two great voices in nature, each a mighty voice—one of the sea, and the other of the mountains. If the sea inspires fear, the mountains inspire awe.

As the new year rises up before us, it is like unto a mountain with its call and challenge—as Mt. Everest, it is yet untrod and unknown. "But the mountain shall be thine." We might well pray with Leigh Buckner Hanest

God give me mountains
With hills at their knees;
Mountains too high
For the flutter of trees.

Mountains that know
The dark valleys of death;
That have kissed a pale star
And felt its last breath.

And still, lift the dawn
In a goldenrimmed cup—
God give me mountains
And strength to climb up.

The tribe of Joseph in the days of Joshua uttered such a prayer. We read in the 17th chapter of Joshua that "the children of Joseph spake unto Joshua, saying, Why hast thou given me but one lot and one part for an inheritance, seeing I am a great people, forasmuch as hitherto Jehovah has blessed me. . . . The hill-country is not enough for us." Cramped as they were in the mount of Ephraim, they wanted more room. There is some ground for believing that this request of the Ephraimites was a bit arrogant. It is not complimentary to read, "The children of Ephraim being armed and carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle." Yet not all the Ephraimites were of that quality. Joshua himself however, belonged to that tribe. Furthermore, there may have been legitimate grounds for the request.

The answer which Joshua gave them is the answer of statesmanship at all times. "And Joshua spake unto the house of Joseph, even to Ephraim and to Manasseh, saying, Thou art a great people, and hast great power; thou shalt not have one lot only: but the hill-country shall be thine; for though it is a forest, thou shalt cut it down, and the going out thereof shall be thine; for thou shalt drive out the Canaanites, though they have chariots of iron, and though they are strong." It may be that we have here a fine touch of satire. It may be that, on the other hand, Joshua was challenging his own tribesmen to the very [illegible] prompted him to issue such a challenge, we do not know, but the lessons we may derive from it, as we face the mountain of the new year, as it were, are noteworthy.

The first lesson is that a great people is the only people who seek to conquer mountains. They called themselves "a great people." Joshua answered: "If thou be a great [illegible] it. At least one thing can be

[illegible] logically, upon which every [illegible] ly. This, too, is an essential part of our plan, but it is important especially because it helps to make possible the attainment of the Objective. It is a means to an end, but not The End.

The possibility of preventing the curtailment of the freedom of the gospel through restrictions imposed by the government, radio corporations, the Musicians' Union or other interests is a part of our work, but not the heart of our work.

What, then, is THE OBJECTIVE? It is the speedy evangelization of the world — its evangelization in this generation! Everything which we do must bear upon this one thing. That which does not relate directly to it is of less than secondary importance.

We must always keep in mind the fact that N. A. E. is not the Church, but a servant of the Church. Some things can be done adequately within our respective church organizations. These things are not for N. A. E. to undertake. We do not organize churches. We do not form mission boards. We do not publish any Sunday School literature. We do not build colleges or seminaries. These things are already being done by churches and numerous agencies.

Our task is rather to assist in the correlation of Christian work, in the reduction of duplication of effort, in keeping the channels clear so that the stream of the gospel will flow swiftly and more freely, to devise and set in motion new methods of sending the gospel faster, to make known to our constituents the tools already in existence for carrying on the tasks which need to be done.

If we are doing something about the restrictions being imposed upon religious broadcasting, it is because these are clogging the stream of the gospel and delaying the program of world-wide evangelism. It is our concern because it is a matter that no single church can handle successfully. It demands a united front.

If we are establishing an office in Washington it is because a clearing house of information on missionary matters and assistance in getting passports and visas is essential to the extension of the whole missionary enterprise. Without this agency there is delay and avoidable expense. One capable director at Washington, acting for a score of Boards, can save the various executives much valuable time and inconvenience. Thus, we make a direct contribution to the Objective of sending the gospel faster.

If we undertake, through our local committees, to provide tested and tried ways of uniting churches in evangelistic effort, and to suggest, as well, the most efficient personnel to carry on such efforts, we are doing something for them which they are sometimes unable to do for themselves with the same pro-

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Roger Babson Speaks

In the special letter written by Roger Babson of Babson Institute and printed below, are combined two trends which are accurately analyzed. The fact that they are stated so clearly merits the publication of this special letter in our columns.

First of all, Mr. Babson clearly contrasts the conditions today in the business, social and community life with those of forty years ago, decrying the prodigious change in religious habits today as compared with those of a generation ago. We are quite sure that those changes are taking place. To a large extent we are living in a godless age with a godless governmental administration and with the influence of godlessness permeating all avenues of life. Mr. Babson's analysis of this ought to give pause to us all.

The second trend to be illustrated in Mr. Babson's letter is that of the disparagement of theology. Mr. Babson says, "If I were today to set down my opinions on theology they would be quite different from those by which I was brought up. I believe the old creeds must be radically revised." Mr. Babson says that the theology is not important, and that it does not particularly concern him that theological creeds are changing, and he asks preachers to differentiate between religious habits and religious creeds.

Herein lies one of the greatest errors of our day. Apparently, logical thinkers in other realms cannot see that what a man thinks, he is. If the creeds are no longer valid; if our conceptions of God Himself change; if prayer is only a psychological exercise with no external validity and no power affects the universe, or nature, or man; if Jesus Christ is only a man and not a Savior from sin, then it is inevitable that men will abandon their practice of private worship and family devotions, observance of the Lord's Day as a day of rest and worship, singing of the old hymns, saying Grace before meals, and their habitual attendance upon the worship service of the church.

If there is only a subjective validity to all these things, perhaps, there can be good substitutes for them. If, on the other hand, God exists, sin is a reality, salvation is a necessity, and the means of grace the condition of our spiritual development, more will practice them.

This condition of change of religious habits is due to the destructive view advanced by Mr. Babson and adhered to by himself. This is modernism, and it reveals modernisms' effect upon the life of America. Why should a man have a Bible in his trunk or suitcase and carry a biblical religion into business if he no longer believes in the Bible nor in biblical religion? What is needed in America is a return to historic, evangelical Christianity, and then we will be sure that we have a revival of religious habit.

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[illegible] are advocating. They are just as far away now as they were when they preached pacifism in the 20's and 30's.

Rev. Clifford Lewis who has accepted the chairmanship of the Work Study Group in Youth Evangelism for the National Convention of N.A.E. in 1944 is one of the most successful youth evangelists in the country. He is in constant demand for revival services. Dr. Lewis is a graduate of Bob Jones College, has traveled around the world in the course of his ministry and is known and loved by thousands who admire his virile and sterling Christian character.

On the whole the railroads have done a superb job in carrying the enormous traffic of these war years. However, there is one respect in which some of them have succeeded in killing off a great deal of goodwill. On some lines it is practically impossible to find a car where one may sit without being saturated with tobacco smoke. The Pennsylvania Railroad is one of the worst offenders in this respect. No signs are placed to inform the passengers which cars are for non-smokers and little effort is made by the conductors to provide for the comfort of those who dislike the odor of stale tobacco. The excuse is made that they can't control it. That is all poppy-cock. Our solution would be, if necessary, to let the smokers and the drunks make a hog-pen out of all cars except one and put a brakeman on guard there to enforce a non-smoking rule. Personally we avoid travel on the Pennsylvania trains whenever possible as most of the other lines do make a reasonable and successful attempt to keep some coaches free from this nuisance.

Now is the time for every one expecting to attend the 1944 National Convention of N.A.E. to begin to plan definitely. Attendance is open to one and all. Only regularly appointed delgates will vote, however. The 31 Work Study Groups will be a feature of the convention which no person able to attend can afford to miss.

These will virtually be institutes in a great variety of fields. There will be plenty of opportunity for questions and discussion on all the burning issues of the day. Put a big circle around those dates so you won't forget them and plan to attend.

There is a lot of food for thought in a recent brochure on the missionary situation, issued by the American Baptist Foreign Missionary Society.

This shows an alarming decrease in the missionary forces of the Baptist societies. In 1922 the total missionary staff was 844. Last year it was only 434. At present the mission staff is only 3-100 of 1% of the Northern Baptist constituency. This is in contrast to our contribution of one men in every thirteen in our national population, to the armed forces. A church of 130 members would, on the average have 10 service stars in its flag. If there was the same devotion to missions Northern Baptists would have a staff of over 11,500 instead of 434. All Protestant churches denominations have given an average of 29 million dollars yearly to missions during the past two decades. But we are spending 200 million dollars DAILY to prosecute a war.

[illegible] mountain of the new year, as it were, are noteworthy.

The first lesson is that a great people is the only people who seek to conquer mountains. They called themselves "a great people." Joshua answered: "If thou be a great people"—in short—prove it! At least one thing can be said for the children of Ephraim, they were not satisfied to remain in cramped and limited quarters. This is always true of a noble people. No pastor should be satisfied with what he has accomplished. The achievements of the past years must be forgotten in the light of the challenge of the new year's possibilities and problems. It is most unbecoming in any Christian servant to settle down upon the past lest a declension set in which will make him content with the lowlands of Christian endeavor. True nobility is characterized by sanctified discontent with the past. A great man is ever found looking upward, and pressing and pressing onward. The rugged path challenges both great and small men. How they pursue that rugged path determines the quality of one's soul.

God put man into the world to be a growing and exhaustless force. The world was spread out around him to be seized and conquered. He was to have dominion over all things. Realms of infinite truth burst open above him inviting him to tread rugged paths to the thrilling heights. Our nobility will be tested by whether we seek to conquer and do conquer, heights in the coming year.

But we cannot conquer in our own power. The lesson is one for all who share in the hopes and aspirations created by the National Association of Evangelicals. We have possessed some heights, but the rugged peaks still loom up before us—and the "climb is stiff." Our leaders must blaze the trail, but may we be found following "hard after them—thus proving our true nobility.

Joshua said of the children of Ephraim, "Thou hast great power." No man can climb a mountain who is not strong. There is something thrilling about the heights which challenge us to put forth every effort. Rev. C. W. Casson has written:

The spirit of the mountains is the power that makes
men strong.
Immovable as granite in the midst of shifting wrong;
Lo, we feel its might within us on the trail the whole
day long.

The spirit of the mountains is the power that makes
men rise
From the fog mist of the valley to the sunshine of the
skies;
From lowest peak to highest peak its trail forever lies.

The spirit of the mountains is the power that makes
men see
From the peak of highest living the ideals of the free.
And the trail's top, high above us, holds that view
for you and me.

But if the mountains can inspire to such reaching for the heights, what may the power which comes from God alone enable us to accomplish? We must not face the new year in our strength, but "in the power of His might." God is our strength and our high tower. "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people." Christians are faced with formidable foes in these times. Seemingly insurmountable rugged paths

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Eminent Leaders Plan New Christian University

Occasion For Such a Proposed University

For some years it has been evident to Protestants that there is a pressing need in America for a Christian university granting doctorate degrees based upon the Christian theism of the Bible exemplified in the historic Reformed creeds such as the Westminster Confession of Faith and upholding the highest academic standards. Most higher education in America is materialistic, anti-intellectual, skeptical and distinctly opposed to orthodox Christianity upon which this nation was founded.

Sponsors For Such A University

Over a period of months representative leaders from several denominations have discussed this need and have constituted themselves into a committee to propagate the idea of a Christian university, and when a Christian university is launched it will be under the control of an association of individuals. In other words, the university will be free from denomination control but committed to a definite doctrinal basis.

Mr. Glenn A. Andreas, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

Rev. John P. Clelland, Wilmington, Del.

Rev. Lawrence B. Gilmore, D., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Rev. Richard W. Gray, E. Orange, N. J.

Mr. Henry Hekman, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Rev. Professor William Hendriksen, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mr. J. B. Hutton, Jr. Jackson, Miss.

Churches Represented By Committee:

Christian Reformed Church.

General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Orthodox Presbyterian Church.

Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Presbyterian Church in the U. S.

Reformed Church in America.

Philosophical and Theological Basis for University Adopted By Committee Preamble

Inasmuch as the sovereign Triune God bids men everywhere to think His thoughts after Him, to exercise dominion over all things according to His will, and to consecrate themselves and all things unto Him, we are bound to obey this divine command. Therefore, since education today is largely controlled by anti-Christian philosophies, we, in pursuance of the divine mandate, plan to establish a University Association which shall be Christian in character according to the Reformed or Calvinistic conception of Christianity, and which shall, as soon as it is practicable, establish an institution of higher learning in which the above described mandate is to be carried into effect according to the principles and provisions herewith set forth.

I. Basis

1. The supreme standard of the Association shall be the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as being the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice.

God and He alone is self-existent and self-sufficient. He is the Creator and Sustainer of the entire universe. Of Him and through Him and to Him are all things. He is the source of all truth. Hence the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. All true knowledge in men is based upon, and is oriented to, the revelation God has been pleased to give of His mind and will. God has left the imprints of His glory upon all His works in creation and providence. But because of the fall of man and his consequent depravity, man is in need of a knowledge to enable him to glorify God as Lord and Saviour which the revelation of God in nature does not provide. The special and completed revelation of His mind and will, adequate to meet this need of fallen man, God has deposited in the Holy Scriptures, His infallible Word. It follows that, even though in virtue of creation in the image of God and the non-saving operations of the Holy Spirit men receive knowledge, in a certain sense, apart from the illumination derived from the Scriptures, yet in any department of reality knowledge is true in the fullest sense only if it is illumined by, and is faithful to, the Holy Scriptures, the inspired Word of truth.

An institution of higher learning that will have as its objective the knowledge of the truth and the glory of God must insure that the principles that underlie and guide the studies in every department shall be derived from the Scriptures. Each department of the institution to be established and promoted by this Association, therefore, shall rest upon, and conduct its work in accordance with the presuppositions of the Christian faith and shall subject its whole procedure as well as its [illegible]

Presenting C. W. Campbell

We present to the readers of UNITED EVANGELICAL ACTION Mr. Charles W. Campbell. A Christian newspaperman who prior to coming to Boston was associated with the Chicago Daily News for 14 years.

Mr. Campbell has served in the editorial, Photography, Business Office and advertising department of this metropolitan newspaper. He assumes the responsibilities of Business Manager of the U.E.A. with the current issue.

Charles W. Campbell
New Business Manager of U.E.A.

Many testimonials have been received as to the blessing which has been brought to our readers by the publication of UNITED EVANGELICAL ACTION. Up to this time we have labored under severe handicaps. The paper has been printed in Ohio; the Business Manager has been located in Utica, New York, with our editorial office in Boston. Now all work is centered at the Boston office. We believe the result of this better arrangement will be manifested increasingly during the coming months. For one thing, the paper will come out promptly the first of each month instead of two or three weeks late. The editing can [illegible]

A Remarkable Document On The Bible

The following document (here abbreviated) was found in Westminster Abbey, nameless and dateless. It was quoted by Rev. John Hoyle, Secretary of the Toronto Religious Education Council, in his address at the Service of Dedication of 9,000 school Bibles by the Gideons in Massey Hall, Toronto, November 22, 1936.

"A nation would be truly blest if it were governed by no other laws than this blessed Book. It is so complete a system that nothing need be added to it, or taken from it. It contains most things useful to be known or done. It affords a copy for a king, and a rule for a subject. It gives instruction and counsel to a senate, authority and direction to a magistrate. It cautions a witness, requires an impartial verdict from the jury, and furnishes the judge with his sentence. It entails honour to parents and enjoins obedience in children. It prescribes and limits the sway of the sovereign, the rule of the ruler, and the authority of the master; commands the subjects to honour, and the servants to obey, and promises the blessing and protection of its Author to all who walk by its rule.

"It promises food and raiment, and limits the use of both. It defends the rights of all, and reveals vengeance to every defrauder, over-reacher and oppressor.

"It is the first Book, and the best Book and the oldest Book in the World. It contains the choicest matter, gives the best instruction, and affords the greatest pleasure and satisfaction that can be revealed. It contains the best laws and the profoundest mysteries that ever perused. It brings the best of tidings and affords the best of comfort to the inquiring and disconsolate. It exhibits life and immortality and shows the way to everlasting glory. It is a brief recital of all that is past, and is a certain prediction of what is to come. It reveals the only and true God and shows the way to Him, sets aside all other goods and describes the vanity of them, and of all who trust in them.

"In short, it is a Book [illegible] most skilled arithmetician. It corrects the vain philosopher, and guides the wise astronomer. It exposes the subtle sophist, and makes the divines mad. It is the best evidence that ever was produced, the best deed that ever was sealed, the best will that ever was made, and the best testament that was ever signed.

"To understand it is to be wise indeed, but to be ignorant of it is to be destitute of wisdom. It is a complete code of laws, a perfect body of divinity, an unequaled narrative, a Book of lives, of travels and voyages. It is the king's best copy, the housewife's best guide, the servant's best directory, the young man's best companion, the schoolboy's spelling Book, and the learned man's masterpiece. And that which crowns it all is—the Author is One in Whom is no variableness nor the shadow of turning."

MY BIBLE

I supposed I knew by Bible
Reading piecemeal, hit or miss,
Now a bit of John or Matthew
Now a snatch of Genesis,
Certain chapters of Isaiah,
Certain Psalms (The twenty-third?);
Twelfth of Romans, First of Proverbs,
Yes, I thought I knew the Word.
But a thorough reading I found
Was a different thing to do;
And the way was unfamiliar
When I read the Bible [illegible] through.

You who like to play at Bible
Dip and dabble, here and [illegible] there,
Just before you kneel, [illegible]

Gospel Broadcasting Crisis

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certain smaller networks. Long ago Columbia, N.B.C. and Blue had closed the door to paid religious broadcasting. Mutual was the one major network that would sell time. They assured us that their policy would be continued. However, changes have come. New faces have appeared at Mutual. Pressure has been brought to bear. And so, as announced last month in UNITED EVANGELICAL ACTION, Mutual has adopted the policy of discontinuing the sale of time for religious broadcasts.

Thirdly, we, and we only, defended the right of broadcasters to solicit funds in paid broadcasts, in a dignified manner. This we believe to be only common justice. If no mention were made of financial need, the listener would assume that the broadcast was on sustaining time. On this point we lost our case at Columbus in 1942 and gained it in 1943 when the Columbus recommendations were rejected.

This brings us right down to the present moment when our situation is this: no major network will sell time for religious broadcasting, although unexpired contracts are being continued.

Many local programs are disappearing, others are being shifted to less favorable spots and many are being marked for slaughter in the near future.

Yes, it's nice to have some free time on the air. We hope we get some, too, for our constituency in N.A.E. Let's not get in the fix of the kid who gets so excited reaching for the Pink elephants that he forgets to keep his eye on the candy.

1944 Convention

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through our regional organizations. Our observation, however, is that so far most of our regional organizations are rather loosely organized. We, therefore, believe that the National Association should undertake immediately a program that would bring about the holding of evangelistic conferences throughout the nation on a round the year basis.

The National Association should join with many other organizations in calling America to prayer for nation-wide revival and should back up in every way local sentiment which is developing for evangelism in many centers. The expectation would be that through prayer and conferences on evangelism the spiritual forces of the nation might be aroused to inaugurate a great crusade of evangelism in cities throughout the nation.

It is hoped that at least twelve major compaigns and many smaller ones might be undertaken by local committees during the coming year. Major campaigns would be those enlisting one hundred or more churches.

It was voted to purchase an addressing machine and other needed equipment for the Boston office.

Additions to the staff of N. A. E. were recommended which will be announced at a later time.

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v. W. Stanford Reid, Ph.
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v. Edwin H. Rian, Glen-
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v. Professor John H.
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. Lambert Steen, Mid-
Park, N. J.

v. Professor N. B. Stone-
Glenside, Pa.

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v. G. M. Van Pernis,
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I. Basis

1. The [illegible] of the Association shall be the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as being the Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. The Association also adopts as standards, subordinate to the Word of God, the Belgic Confession, the Heidelberg Catechism and the Canons of Dort, approved or formulated by the Synod of Dort, and the Confession of Faith, the Larger Catechism and the Shorter Catechism, formulated by the Westminster Assembly, as setting forth the system of truth taught in the Holy Scriptures.

II. Purpose

The purpose of the Association shall be the establishment of a university maintaining high standards of scholarship, founded upon and adhering to the Christian system of truth as set forth in the Reformed, or Calvinistic, standards referred to in Article I. The institution shall provide training and conduct research through competent Christian scholars whose intelligent understanding of, and devotion to, the Christian faith will supply the true basis for, and the proper integration of, knowledge in the various fields of learning. Through such training and research it will endeavor to equip men and women to bring the Christian faith in all its elements and implications effectually to bear upon the whole of life and upon every sphere of human vocation.

III. Declaration

In accordance with the position set forth in the Basis and in pursuance of the design set forth in the Purpose of the Association declares as follows:

The standpoint of the Association is that of consistent Christian theism. The Triune

shall be derived from the Scriptures. Each department of the institution is to be established and prosecuted by the [illegible] with, upon, and conducted throughout in accordance with the presuppositions of the Christian faith and shall subject its whole procedure as well as its conclusions to the scrutiny and direction of the full-orbed revelation of God in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Officers of Committee:

The following are officers of temporary committee:

Chairman, N. J. Monsma.

Secretary, Edwin H. Rian.

Treasurer, Ned B. Stonehouse.

Sub-Committee

The following men are subcommittee to: (1) draw up constitution for the Association to be adopted at next meeting of committee of the whole; (2) plan and carry out publicity of need for a Christian university until meeting of whole committee; (3) invite others to join committee.

Rev. W. A. McIlwaine, D.D.

Rev. N. J. Monsma.

Rev. W. Stanford Reid, Ph. D.

Rev. Edwin H. Rian.

Rev. Professor N. B. Stonehouse.

Rev. Professor Thomas E. Welmers.

Professor Henry J. Van Andel.

Contributions

All invited to send contributions to treasurer—Ned B. Stonehouse, 333 Cherry Lane, Glenside, Pa.

Publicity for this project will be vigorously carried on in magazines, pamphlets, and by public meetings.

For Further Information

Address all communications to the secretary—Edwin H. Rian, P. O. Box 4038, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pa.

[illegible] office in Boston. Now all work is centered at the Boston office. We believe the [illegible] of this home [illegible] will be [illegible] during the coming months. For one thing, the paper will come out promptly the first of each month instead of two or three weeks late. The editing can be done more quickly and satisfactorily under the new arrangements. We ask the prayers of our readers for Mr. Campbell and that God shall send us the man of his own appointment for editor.

Recruiting Campaign Urged to Meet Clergy Shortage

TORONTO, Ont. (RNS) — The churches of Canada must immediately launch a "serious and wide-spread" campaign to recruit candidates for the ministry, the Rt. Rev. J. R. P. Sclater, Moderator of the United Church of Canada, declared here.

Even if all chaplains with the armed forces, both at home and abroad, were returned to their pastoral charges, the shortage would still exist, he said.

Southern Methodist Church Being Reorganized

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (RNS) — The Mid-South Conference of the Southern Methodist Church is in process of organization here by members of the old Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who opposed the merger of the three branches of Methodism in 1938.

The Rev. G. H. Hendry, Montgomery, Ala., was elected presiding officer, and Paul Renshaw, Memphis, secretary.

Speakers scheduled to participate were: Collins Denny, Jr., attorney, son of the late Bishop Denny, one of the foes of the merger; Dr. J. W. Lipscomb of Columbus, Mississippi; Dr. F. L. Sharp; the Rev. John T. Banks of Martinsville, Virginia; L. G. Manning of Latta, South Carolina; the Rev. C. S. Laster of Los Angeles; and J. A. Manget of Atlanta. The latter is a prominent cotton man and editor of the Southern Layman, official publication of the Southern Methodists. The women's organization was in session also.

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"In short, it is a Book of laws to show right and wrong, a Book of wisdom that condemns all folly, and makes the foolish wise. A Book of truth that detects all lies and confronts all errors, and a Book of life that shows the way from everlasting death.

"It is the most compendious Book in the world, the most authentic and the most entertaining history that ever was published. It will instruct the most accomplished mechanic and the profoundest artist. It teaches the best rhetorician, and exercises the power of the

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We a different thing to do;
And the way was [illegible]
When I [illegible] the Bible

You who like to play at Bible
Dip and dabble, here and there,
Just before you kneel, [illegible]
And yawn through a hurried prayer;
You who treat the crown of writings,
As you treat no other book—
Just a paragraph disjointed,
Just a crude impatient look—
Try a worthier procedure,
Try a broad and steady view;
You will kneel in very rapture
When you read the Bible through.

Dr. Wright Speaks to Large Crowds at Charleston

CHARLESTON, W. Va., December 12.—Dr. J. Elwin Wright of Boston addressed a gathering of some of the leading business and professional men of this city at a luncheon in the Hotel Boone yesterday. Great interest was shown in the National Association of Evangelicals. Some are intending to attend the National Convention in Columbus.

Today Dr. Wright addressed two large audiences at the Union Mission of which Mr. Pat Withrow is the director. Special music was provided by Rev. and Mrs. Adam Lutzweiler of Newport, N. J., and the mission orchestra.

Baptists Elect Youthful Editor

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (RNS)—The executive board of the Arkansas Baptist State convention elected 26-year-old C. E. Bryant as editor of the Arkansas Baptist, state denominational publication, to succeed Lewis A. Myers, now serving as an army chaplain.

Monthly Meeting Of Allentown Evangelicals Addressed By Dr. I. S. Yeaworth

ALLENTOWN, Pa., December 9—The Fundamental Fellowship of Allentown, member of N.A.E., held its regular monthly meeting at the First Mennonite Church this evening. Fourteen congregations were represented. Addresses were brought by Dr. I. S. Yeaworth of Philadelphia, pastor of Bethany Temple Presbyterian Church and Regional Chairman of N.A.E. for Eastern Pennsylvania, and by Dr. J. Elwin Wright of Boston. The Allentown Fellowship is enlarging its membership and interest. A score or more of churches are already actively connected with it.

Nine Out of Ten Quakers Serving in Armed Forces

RICHMOND, Ind. (RNS) — Only one out of every 10 men called to military service from Quaker homes has been placed in a camp for conscientious objectors, it was reported here to the Yearly Meeting of Friends. Nine out of 10 are serving with the armed forces in some capacity, it was stated. Many Quakers, the report added, are working in war plants.

A "Mighty Fortress" in the
WAR WITHOUT END

• Amidst global upheaval, churches of our land are standing strong and steadfast—mighty fortresses in the war against sin and Satan which will continue until our Lord's return. This war has raged through the ages; martyrs, saints and missionaries have given their lives to its cause. In the spirit of their heroic example our churches are striving as never before to win the world to Christ and hasten the coming of His Kingdom.

• Whether it be the small country church at the crossroads or tucked in the hills, the town church bearing testimony to Main Street, or the imposing city church with its spires towering above the noise and clatter of busy streets—All are faithfully and fearlessly holding up the hands of our fighting men and lifting hearts and voices in prayer and praise and SONG.

• Nothing stirs and releases spiritual power more than fervent congregational singing. No songbook has won such instant and complete approval and widespread acceptance as the new all-purpose "Tabernacle Hymns Number Four." Here you will find those old favorites that never die, with beautiful new compositions: Choruses, Choir, Children and Special-day numbers, songs of Promise, Repentance, Blood, Grace, Second Coming, etc.

• This "Song Book of the Nation" contains 342 heart-warming numbers, complete indexes and well-chosen assortment of Scripture readings. Copies are still available in quality waterproof binding. Price not prepaid ONLY $35.00 a 100. A sample copy sent on request—give name of church, denomination and pastor.

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Youth Column By C. Stacey Woods

Theological Seminaries and Evangelical Christianity

It is a truism that in normal times the future leadership of a country is in its universities and colleges, but it is much truer that the future of Christianity in the organized church and the future of the historic evangelical faith lie very largely with the theological seminaries.

With few exceptions the record of North American seminaries in the past twenty-five years is unsatisfactory. The church, both in pulpit and pew, has lacked conviction, has had little sense of direction or purpose and has vacillated between rationalistic uncertainty and gross materialism. The most frequent cause of this condition is found in the many graduates of many seminaries who at best had been trained to be successful professional Christian leaders, lacking both the spirit of sacrifice and an urgent sense of the divine imperative.

These conditions have not been confined to North America, but have been in evidence to a varying degree throughout the Christian world. The complete solution of this problem does not seem to lie in the establishment of new seminaries, although these have made a great contribution to the Church. Even if a number of seminaries were judged to be entirely adequate all the students for the ministry who have a spiritual, evangelical outlook could not attend these institutions.

British Inter-Varsity Found Prayer Union

The Inter-Varsity Fellowship in Great Britain realized how increasingly difficult it was becoming for students to receive the help which they so clearly needed if they were to grasp the unique truths of Evangelicalism. In 1935 the British Inter-Varsity Fellowship commenced the Theological Students Prayer Union, [illegible] of the Fellowship in a university. The purpose of the Prayer Union was to bind together students possessing a conservative evangelical outlook, giving them an opportunity for united prayer for themselves and for their fellow students in seminaries.

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British Movement Conducting Conference

Regular letters suggesting prayer topics and giving evangelicals news are circulated. A helpful conservative bibliography has been compiled and a number of Inter-Varsity Theological Papers have been published on specific problems written by well qualified men. The most worthwhile feature of this British Inter-Varsity movement among Theological Students has been an annual conference. The next such conference has been planned for January 3 to 7, 1944. Speakers, all of whom are required to sign the Inter-Varsity Fellowship basis of faith, will be the Rev. Professor G. T. Thomson (the translator of Barth), who will speak on The Doctrine of the Word of God in the Reformers and Modern Theology; the Rev. W. C. G. Proctor of Dublin, who will expound the Epistle of Romans; and Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones, who will lead two discussions on Twentieth Century Evangelicalism: its attitude to (1) Christology and (2) Eschatology.

During this period the Biblical Research Committee, which is the Theological Students Prayer Union for senior men, sponsors two annual Tyndale Lectures. This year Prof. E. Robertson of Manchester University, will lecture on "Samuel and Saul," and Dr. B. F. C. Atkinson of the Cambridge University Library on "The Theology of Prepositions."

Because the revival of evangelical Christianity within and through the Churches is the object of the Prayer Union, all members are urged to beware of any tendency to exclusivism or a sectarian outlook. Should this fellowship of Christian students interfere with loyalty to college, or result in the formation of a clique the purpose of the Prayer Union would be defeated.

Australia and New Zealand have similar movements among their theological colleges.

Prayer Union To Start In North America I.V.C.F.

In North America a beginning has been made in this direction, but the right leadership has not been found. The Prayer Union will be divided into regions and a program suitable

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"HARRON'S REPORT"

Special Letter — December 6, 1943

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Religious Habits vs. Religious Creeds

Not since the intellectual revolution, which came with the publication of Darwin's "Origin of Species" in 1858, has any period witnessed such violent changes of religious thought as have this past few years. The change began with the opening of the new century. Few of us have escaped this transformation. I have by no means been immune to it myself. If I were today to set down my opinions on theology, they would be quite different from those by which I was brought up. I believe the old creeds must be radically revised. This, however, does not include the religious HABITS of my youth.

One peculiarity of this change of religious outlook is that it has penetrated to obscure parts of our land. World Wars I and II account for most of this. Millions of men — white, black, city and country — have been pulled impartially from their homes and brought into direct contact with a new world. Moving pictures and radio broadcasting have also been factors. I will not now discuss these changes but will leave that to the theologians. What concerns me is the prodigious change in the religious HABITS of today, as compared with those of my boyhood.

Then nearly every respectable person regularly went to church. Today it is becoming increasingly common to meet people, of high culture and unimpeachable character, who do not go to church at all. Then the Bible was a book of common use. People read it devotionally; we children were brought up on it. Today that has largely passed. Then Sunday was observed as a day of rest and meditation. Today Sunday is more of a holiday. Then the majority of people knew by heart many of the great hymns, both words and music. Groups of young people sang these church tunes at social gatherings. Today this habit has largely disappeared; jazz has taken the place of the old hymns. Then there were millions of homes where the family altar and the habit of saying "grace before meat" was taken for granted. Today we are obliged to admit that very few homes enjoy these old habits.

There then was an atmosphere of religion and, if I may say so, of piety about the society of forty years ago that is absent today. Most of the boys from the country who then went to the city to make good (and most of them made good) went from religious homes. They had in their trunk a Bible which their mother had given to them. They were, in many cases, a member of some church and went to the city "consigned" in advance to the care and interest of some relative or minister in the new city. Today this is rarely the case. In consequence, we are not getting the same type of young men today from the country that we got forty years ago. The change in the output is the result of the change in the home's religious habits.

In the same way we are obliged to notice the change that has come over our business friends. Most every business leader of those former days was openly a religious man. He carried his religion into his factory or store every day so that every clerk and er-

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Book Reviews

MANNA IN THE MORNING

By CHARLES E. FULLER and J. ELWIN WRIGHT

A book of devotional readings for every day of the year. Mr. Fuller contributes a weekly reading. The preparation of this volume shows painstaking research to bring the cream of writings of many outstanding men of God. There are many poems of exceptional merit as well. The book is one of the best of its kind that we have seen and will undoubtedly have a wide sale. 334 pages. Price $2.00. Published by Fellowship Press, 9 Park Street, Boston, Mass. Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, are the trade representatives.

REVEALED KNOWLEDGE

By CHARLES HENRY HEATON, D.D.

This is an unusual volume. The writer has succeeded in putting the most profound truths into language which the ordinary layman can understand. He writes, however, in a style which will please the deep student of the Word of God. The chapter headings suggest the subject matter. 1. The Inspired Record of Revealed Knowledge. 2. The Paramount Subject of Revealed Knowledge. 3. The Personal Incarnation of Revealed Knowledge. 4. The Infallible Interpreter of Revealed Knowledge. 5. The Special Object of Revealed Knowledge. 6. The Empirical Test of Revealed Knowledge. 7. The Definite Digests of Revealed Knowledge. 8. The Finished Product of Revealed Knowledge.

We opened the book prepared to scan it hastily. We remained with it to read it carefully and thoughtfully. 160 pages. Price $1.00. Higley Press, Butler, Indiana.

WHEATON THEOLOGY DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES ITS EXPANSION INTO A FULL SEMINARY

The graduate department of theology at Wheaton College will celebrate the completion of five years of operation in January with a program for expansion into a full seminary.

Now firmly established with a curriculum leading to two graduate degrees, the master of arts in theology and the bachelor of theology, the department has helped to train almost fifty men. At present fourteen are enrolled. In keeping with the inter-denominational character of Wheaton College, most of the major denominations are represented.

When word was received in October, 1937, that a generous amount was provided in the form of a residuary trust from the late John Dickey, Jr., to subsidize a seminary at Wheaton, it was in answer to a need which had been recognized for several years. In accord with the stipulations of the bequest a seminary training course was immediately established which was designed to be the foundation upon which a full seminary would be established.

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The New Year — A Mountain

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rise up before us which stagger the timid soul, and we cry out: "Who is equal to these things?" The whole world is in turmoil and a colossal conflict is being waged. Our "hope" are out there facing death; the war has been prolonged. We fear that the road to final victory is strewn with fiery barriers. And in the church, our manpower is weakened. Pastors feel bewildered in the midst of such tragic and mystifying calamities as have overtaken both the world and the church. Questions arise which servants of God find it difficult to answer, and the future looks dark. Where shall we turn for strength and reassurance? David gives us one answer in the 27th Psalm:

"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

"When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.

"Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; Though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident."

Yes, in this will I be confident! Whatever "this" situation is; whatever "this" problem may be; whatever hardship or trial shall confront me in my life or ministry during the coming year, in this will I be confident—"The Lord is the strength of my life."

In the third place, we should observe that the mountains offered opportunities to the sons of Joseph. The mountain which Joshua was willing to give to them was a place of wealth — "It is a wood!" So the new year which lies before us is a mine undeveloped, a field unploughed, a treasure unclaimed. It brings with it new duties, new conflicts, new trials; but it also brings new opportunities of large achievement. So much depends upon how we "begin the climb." If we start on the journey with Jesus, walk with Him, work for Him, and win souls to Him, we shall start right. A happy year it will be for those who, through every path of trial, or up every hill of difficulty, or over every sunny height, march on in closest fellowship with Jesus and who will determine that, come what may, we will have Christ with us every day. There are more victories and joys awaiting us than we know. We may not have cut much wood last year. The little supply we laid by has but barely kept us warm through the lonely winter time of the soul. But the new year comes with its cheering promise of better things. So let the new year be a year of freedom from sin, a year of service, a year of trust in God, and it will be a happy year from the beginning to the end. It may be the hardest year we have known, but it will be the happiest. Let us lay up much wealth in it. "It is a wood."

But again we must remember that the mountain was to the tribe of Ephraim a place of work — "Thou shalt cut it down." Idleness stands condemned both by God and man. Paul wrote: "We commanded you that if any would not work, neither should he eat." "Work is alone noble," wrote Carlisle. Though endowed with riches beyond imagination, we will never possess them unless we "plow deep while sluggards sleep." God is a worker. His initial plans as revealed in creation and in redemption were made possible only because, as Jesus said, "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work." No man is born into the world whose work is not born with him. So we might say that no man is born into the spiritual world whose work is not born with him, for "We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them."

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Today, where theological colleges are found in university towns, it is normal for the Theological Students Prayer Union members to join with the local Inter-Varsity chapter in the university. Many of the more important graduate colleges, such as Wycliffe, Ridley Hall at Cambridge, New College at Edinburgh, etcetera, are linked in this way.

However, it is often very difficult for members of theological colleges to attend regular chapter meetings and in that case the Theological Students Prayer Union group is able to do more as an entity. In theological seminaries, cut off from universities such as the Bible Churchman's College, Bristol and Spurgeon's College, London, the Theological Students Prayer Union functions much as any Inter-Varsity Chapter, but there is a specialized program to meet the peculiar needs of seminarians. They normally have their own series of prayer meetings and, where possible, Bible studies and discussions on evangelical topics.

Prayer Union To Start In North America I.V.C.F.

In North America a beginning has been made in this direction, but the right leadership has not been found. The Prayer Union will be divided into regions and a program suitable to local conditions will be developed. It is hoped that by next fall a man with sufficient training and acceptability will be forthcoming to organize this much needed work on a national scale. Such a movement under God would do much to help avert the tragedy of keen men who have been graduated from seminaries having lost the spiritual vitality and fighting enthusiasm for the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, which they possessed on entrance.

It is the earnest desire of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship to cooperate with all churches which are true to Jesus Christ regardless of their affiliation, to supplement their work, but never to take the place of any church. It is the prayer of the Fellowship that the organization may be used of God in contributing to the revival of evangelical Christianity in the churches and throughout the nation. Its leaders believe that a revival of scientific, conservative scholarship is among the essentials for a true and lasting awakening of the churches.

Mission Society Loses Last Seminary Pupil to German Army

STOCKHOLM (by wireless) (RNS) — The Leipzig Mission Society has announced that its last seminary student has been called for service in the German Army, but declares that "there is still no cause for despair" over the home mission movement in Germany.

In its annual report, the society states that mission meetings are held only rarely in Germany at present, but that those who participate in them show great initiative and have greatly increased their offerings.

"We are convinced," the report says, "that we can continue to serve God and are awaiting His guidance."

Federal Council Defers Action on Constitution of Proposed Interdenomination Body

NEW YORK (RNS) — The Executive Committee of the Federal Council of Churches has voted to defer action on the constitution of a proposed "National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States" until its January meeting. The "National Council" would represent eight major interdenominational agencies, including the Federal Council.

The committee's action followed presentation of a report recommending approval of the constitution and commending the plan to the "favorable consideration of the constituent communions of the Federal Council."

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In the same way we are obliged to notice the change that has come over our business friends. Most every business leader of those former days was openly a religious man. He carried his religion into his factory or store every day so that every clerk and errand boy knew where his boss stood; but most stores today are purely mercantile establishments. Religion does not figure in their daily routine. In place of the profound religious influence of some personality, exercised thruout the establishment, we have only organized personnel systems and the modern machinery of business.

I am ready to admit that the world is going ahead. What I wish to ask is if we would not progress much faster if we restored some of these former habits of church going, Sunday observance, family prayers and the memorizing of great Bible truths? The religious habits of the old days were a positive asset to our entire national life. Men and women, old and young, who had a religious background, were better producers than the generation that is coming to the stage today. I am not defending the "old-time" theology of my boyhood. Old-fashioned religious habits, however, can develop characters greatly needed today.

I am not speaking on sentimental grounds. If religion, whether old-time or new-time, is to be defended and propagated only as an ancient landmark, it is a bad day for religion. I am appealing for the old-time religious habits — not for the old theology or dogma — on a sane realistic basis, the fruits of which are evident to anyone willing to study the facts. For this reason, I forecast a return to some of the old ways and the old customs as we go into the remaining years of the present century. Those who still hold to these old habits and customs need make no apology for their attitude. Just now, maybe, they may seem a bit queer and out of the main stream. But the stream still flows and the trend will be toward a rehabilitation of many of them.

Centuries of human experience cannot be wholly mistaken in its allegiances. Grant, if we want, that there were extravagances about the theology of our youth. Even so, there was a very real power to the things which were taught during the past century. Truth cannot be destroyed by temporary changes in opinions. When mankind, in its progress, tramples on reality, it always must turn back and pick up again the real values that have temporarily been cast aside. After forty years of active business experience I believe these religious habits of our youth still have potential real values which most clients are missing. Won't you show this letter to your preacher and ask him to differentiate between religious habits and "religious" creeds?

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The bachelor of theology degree requires two years of graduate work. Prerequisites are twelve hours of Bible and three years of Greek, including one in New Testament Greek. A unique requirement of the degree is the reading for class assignments the entire New Testament in Greek. A comprehensive examination over the entire field climaxes the work.

In addition to more than sixty hours of work offered in strictly theological subjects, graduate students can also secure training in a number of allied fields, including anthropology, archaeology, Christian education, classical and Koine Greek, philosophy, and music. A master of arts degree is also offered in Christian Education.

The full seminary program is already outlined and will be placed in operation as soon as facilities and funds are provided. The present program aims at realizing this goal within a short time. The aims of the present graduate department would be incorporated into the seminary. They are: (1) absolute loyalty to the Bible as the fully inspired, inerrant Word of God, (2) thorough-going scholarship on a graduate level, (3) inter-denominational attitude and spirit (4) emphasis on the "separated" life, (5) consistent premillennial viewpoint in eschatology.

Negro School in Georgia Gets Bible Course

AUGUSTA, Ga. (RNS) — The Augustus R. Johnson High School here is the first Negro public school in Georgia to introduce a course in Bible instruction.

REVEALED KNOWLEDGE
By
DR. CHARLES HENRY BEATTY, D. D.
BELIEVING IS SEEING!

The churches have not furnished exhibits that are uniformly satisfactory to a sinful world. Few there be who would find a s.r fault in Jesus Christ or who would complain about t h e principles of Christianity, but many there are who cannot find the image of Christ in most of the people who bear his name.

Is it because Christians do not have sufficient light or is it possible that they do not live up to the light they have? The paramount question is: do ye have a revelation of God from God? This book answers that question. It finds the record of a revelation which becomes The Revelation. It gives a chart of the contents of that Revelation and indicates how they may be tested. It shows how Christians have applied the Revelation and what the finished product is declared to be.

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THE TIME FOR REVIVAL IS NOW

A stirring message by Dr. Bob Jones, Sr.
Founder of Bob Jones College, Cleveland, Tennessee and noted evangelist.

Truth Cannot Die

"For truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter." These words are in the fourteenth verse of the fifty-ninth chapter of Isaiah. They are startling words. You will note that it does not say truth is dead in the street. Truth cannot die. Truth will live as long as God lives. Twice two is four. That has always been true and always will be true. Jesus Christ was born of a virgin. He was God incarnate. He died a vicarious, substitutional death on the cross. He was buried and the third day He rose from the dead. Men are saved by grace through faith in His atoning blood. These truths are imperishable. They will last through all eternity. They cannot be destroyed by modern scholarship or by scientific research.

Spiritual Truth Has Been Made Inactive

While truth cannot die, truth can become inactive. When truth becomes inactive, traffic stops in the street of life. A man may defend addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division on every platform in the world, but the moment people cease to use addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, commerce as we know it, stops. Men may glory in science and make speeches about science, but when they cease to use scientific truths, then progress in the world, as far as science is concerned, comes to a standstill. Men can talk about the "old-time religion" and recite creeds, but when Christian truth becomes inactive, then that which is right as far as spiritual living is concerned halts. Some men who recite creeds on Sunday live like the devil wants them to live all the week. Some who read these lines, if they will only stop to think, will realize that their spiritual progress was stopped the day that spiritual truth fell down in the street. If we are not growing spiritually, it is a sure sign that spiritual truth is inactive as far as we are concerned.

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There are millions of people in the world who talk about believing in "religion" and some of course, mean the Christian religion. They believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and that He died to save people. Many of them have a vague conception of much of the meaning of Scripture. Yet they believe that Jesus Christ is the Hope of the world. What is the matter with our world? We are not surprised that some people say the church has failed and that religion has failed. These, however, are at least partly wrong. Truth, when it is made active, always leads the procession of spiritual progress. Spiritual truth has

DR. BOB JONES, Sr.

creeds; but who have many leaders and many programs out of harmony with the things stated in the creeds which they recite.

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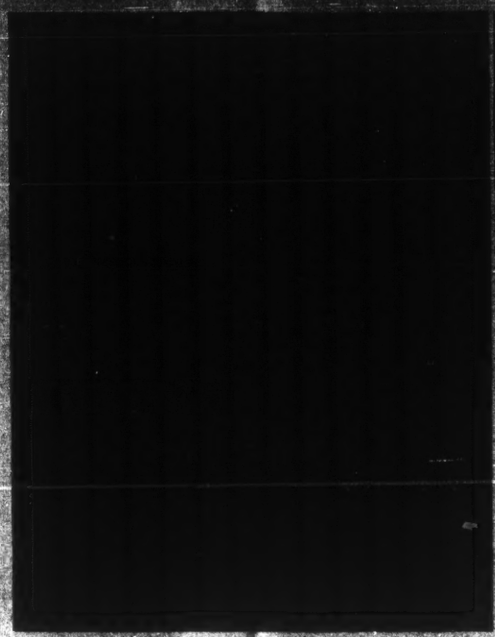
The writer began his evangelistic ministry at the age of fifteen. He had his sixtieth birthday recently. This means that for forty-five years he has been in touch with the evangelistic situation here in America. After a careful study of the conditions in our country, we are convinced that there will never again be in America a great spiritual ecclesiastical revival. There will, of course, be individual churches that will have successful evangelistic campaigns. Ecclesiasticism, however, in its larger, broader sense, cannot possibly have a great spiritual revival. The fundamental truths of Christians such as the virgin birth and deity of our Lord, the vicarious blood atonement which He made on the cross, the necessity of the new birth, and salvation by grace through faith in the blood of Jesus Christ are necessary to a successful evangelistic movement. Many of the leaders of our ecclesiastical setup refuse to preach these fundamental truths. God is sending this revival in spite of the ecclesiastical machine.

The Time For a Revival Is Now

The writer is definitely convinced that this is the day of golden opportunity for individual Christians who are willing to assert their individual Christian leadership. He would, therefore, like to suggest that individual Christians in all sections of America get together as individuals, both ministers and laymen, in their respective communities and organize as individuals a revival movement. We should like to warn our friends who are loyal to the Lord Jesus Christ of the danger that is ahead of us. As soon as the world war is over, ecclesiasticism will undertake to set up a machine with the idea of controlling evangelism as well as all other religious activities of our people. Remember what we are writing: Ecclesiasticism cannot have a spiritual revival unless it repudiates its modernistic leadership, which there is no indication that it will do. We should like to suggest that our friends not be discouraged if many churches are not filled on Sunday. Remember, more people are getting the Gospel today over the radio, by circulation of tracts, and in other ways than ever heard the Gospel in the history of the world. Remember, we are already in the midst of a revival. But remember, it is an individual revival, not an ecclesiastic revival. In our recent campaign in Denver, the best personal workers we had were men in uniform. There are scattered throughout the world individual Christian soldiers who are witnessing for Jesus Christ. Many soldiers are being converted. All over our land people are being saved in the only way people can be saved, and that is by simple faith in the Lord as their Savior; they usually make an of-



Dr. J. Elwin Wright is pictured here welcoming Mr. Carl F. Ashe, the new assistant field secretary of the National Association of Evangelicals.

Personal History Of N.A.E. Assistant Field Secretary

Carl F. Ashe, the first child of a family of nine children, was born to Pennsylvania Dutch parents.

Shortly after his marriage to Miss Katherine McLellan, of Scotch and Welch descent, he and his wife found the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour in a city-wide revival service under the leadership of Evangelists Hart and McGann. The seven children of Mr. and Mrs. Ashe were reared around the family altar and instructed in the way of life from The Book. All have accepted the Lord Jesus as Saviour.

Shortly after his conversion the Methodist Church issued a Local Preacher's license to Mr. Ashe. At his first camp meeting he had a definite dealing with the Lord in heart and life, with the result of the cleansing and filling with the Holy Spirit.

For the past 17 years Mr. Ashe has had the privilege of working with some of the Christian Liberal Arts colleges. Among these are: Taylor University, Upland, Indiana, Chesbrough Seminary, North Chili, New York; Eastern Nazarene College, Wollaston, Massachusetts; Wessington Springs Junior College, Wessington Springs, South Dakota, and for the last eight years with Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois.

Mr. Ashe now holds membership in the Free Methodist Church of Rochester, New York. His testimony is: "I can say with William Wilberforce, that there came a time and a place in my Christian experience when 'I devoted myself for whatever might be the term of my future life, to the service of my God and Saviour and, with many infirmities and deficiencies, through His help I continue until this day.'"

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Plan Canadian Branch Of National Association Of Evangelicals

TORONTO, Ont.—(RNS) —Plans for a Canadian branch of the newly-formed National Association of Evangelicals, Inc., were discussed here at the body's first meeting in Canada.

A committee headed by the Rev. T. Christie Innes, of Knox Presbyterian Church, was appointed to carry out tentative organization details for the proposed Canadian regional conference. Further meetings will be held to draw up a local constitution.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. Harold J. Ockenga of Boston, national president of the association, which was organized on a permanent basis last May. Those in attendance included representatives from Anglican, Baptist, Pentecostal, and other Protestant denominations.

Dr. Ockenga said "the aims of the association were to aid evangelistic work in all the churches of North America."

"Our desire," he stated, "is to have a strong organization behind the church, interdenominational in character, which will give us a voice with governments in matters concerning radio broadcasting, home and foreign missions, social service, moral, public welfare and education."

Baptists Vote to Pay 'Moral' Debt

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (RNS) — Arkansas Baptists believe that moral obligations still prevail after a court has declared a debt legally closed.

They voted to "make good" on an unpaid two-thirds of a million dollar indebtedness settled by court action at 35 cents on the dollar in the depression year of 1936.

The Arkansas Baptist State Convention has instructed its executive board to "undertake to make contributions from time to time" to those creditors who suffered financial losses in 1936 when the convention settled its then existing indebtedness on a compromise basis.

The unusual action was voted by the convention of 1214 assembled messengers and visitors. Passage followed three hours of discussion.

Bob Jones College Crowd

Ferrin Sermon

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God will and does ask you to do some hard things, but He never asks you to do an unreasonable thing. Nor does He ever ask you to do anything for which He is not ready to reward you in full. It was a hard thing when God said to Abraham: "Abraham, go thou to the mountain and offer there thy son, thy well-beloved son, as a sacrifice." But Abraham, and all the world, understands now that God honors faith and grants a large reward for obedience. So God has asked hard things of His servants, like Joseph and Daniel, Job and Paul, and the noble company of martyrs down through the ages, but "They shall in no wise lose their reward."

"There are so many hills to climb upward,
I often am longing for rest;
But He who appoints me my pathway,
Knows just what is needful and best.

"I know in His work He hath promised
That my strength 'It shall be as my day';
And the toils of the road will seem nothing,
When I get to the end of the way."

To hear Him say "Well done" will be a reward so great that we will forget all the hardships endured in conquering the mountains of this life.

As difficult as it was to clear the land, the sons of Joseph faced a more difficult task. The Canaanites were there with "chariots of iron." So in this new year which lies before us, the enemy is entrenched behind mighty fortresses, and he has "chariots of iron." He will ride roughshod over our head and push us down the mountain side if we give way before him; but we must never suffer him to dislodge us from our point of advantage. If the enemy has chariots of iron, we must have "courage of steel." The Lord is on our side. He will not suffer us to be moved.

In the battle of Crecy, where Edward the Black Prince — then a youth of 16 summers — led a van, the King — his father — drew up a strong party on a rising ground and there beheld the conflict in readiness to send relief when it should be needed. The young prince being sharply charged, and in some danger, sent to his father for succor; and as the king delayed to send help, another messenger was sent to crave immediate assistance. To him the king replied: "Go tell my son that I am not so inexperienced a commander as not to know when succor is wanted, nor so careless a father as not to send it." He intended the honor of the day should be his son's, and therefore let him, with courage, stand alone, assured that help might be had when it might conduce most to his renown.

The old year is dead; the new year is born. Let us trustingly, patiently, and giving thanks for the accomplishments of the past, be found praying:

"Lord, lift me up and let me stand,
By faith, on Heaven's table-land,
A higher plane than I have found;
Lord, lift me up and let me stand,

Then, as we rise from our knees, we may look bravely forward to the veiled figure which stands at our threshold. We know nothing of what it shall bring; but we know Him who has planned our way before us and who invites us to possess the mountain to which He has brought us — "This mountain shall be thine." May God help us to fully possess it.

Dr. Ockenga Addresses Business Men In New York

Twenty-one leading business men of the Metropolitan Area gathered at the Yale Club in New York on the evening of October 25 to listen to informative addresses by Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, Mr. Kenneth S.

Many of them have a vague conception of much of the meaning of Scripture. Yet they believe that Jesus Christ is the Hope of the world. What is the matter with our world? We are not surprised that some people say the church has failed and that religion has failed. These, however, are at least partly wrong. Truth, when it is made active, always leads the procession of spiritual progress. Spiritual truth has been made inactive in the palaces of kings, emperors, and rulers, and in the homes of presidents. It has also been made inactive in the halls of Congress and Parliament and state capitals and courts of justice. It has often been made inactive in pulpits and in churches. Therefore spiritual progress halted. Traffic was blocked. God's army never marches over the body of truth in the street. Righteousness in its purity stops until truth becomes active. It does not matter what men believe. It does not make much difference what men say they believe unless they really believe it. If in our hearts we Christian people believed what we claim to believe, truth would not be inactive. It would lead us down the street of real spiritual progress.

We Are In The Midst Of A Revival

The writer has conducted in recent weeks evangelistic campaigns in Asheville, North Carolina; Worcester, Massachusetts; Boston, Massachusetts; and Denver, Colorado. His son, Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., has conducted evangelistic meetings in different sections of the East and Middle West. We are both convinced that we are in the midst of a revival in America. It is not the revival of the old days when ecclesiasticism was organized in great mass movements. It is a revival brought about by the prayers and work of individual Christians who believe in the "old-time religion" and who in their hearts are loyal to the Word of God and to the Lord Jesus Christ. Many of these individual Christians who are now supporting the evangelistic movement in America are affiliated with independent churches, and of course, many of them hold membership in churches that recite orthodox [illegible] truths of Christianity such as the virgin birth and deity of our Lord, the vicarious blood atonement which He made on the cross, the necessity of the new birth, and salvation by grace through faith in the blood of Jesus Christ are necessary to a successful evangelistic movement. Many of the leaders of our ecclesiastical setup refuse to preach these fundamental truths. Ecclesiasticism, therefore, cannot bring to this Nation the revival the nation needs. There is, however, a marvelous movement on the part of individual Christians that is being used of God to bring about the revival for which many of us have been praying. In other words, God is sending a revival, not because of ecclesiasticism, which has often repudiated the Gospel of the grace of God; [illegible] campaign in Denver, the best personal workers we had were men in uniform. There are scattered throughout the world individual Christian soldiers who are witnessing for Jesus Christ. Many soldiers are being converted. All over our land people are being saved in the only way people can be saved, and that is by simple faith in the Lord as their Savior; they usually make an effort to find fellowship with other Christians. There is, therefore, everywhere a grouping of individual Christians, regardless of their denominational affiliaions. In spite of all the moral looseness, the sensuality, the juvenile crimes, and the bankruptcy of character in many parts of the world, God's work is still going on, and thousands are flocking to God like doves flock to their windows.

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Mr. Ashe is now engaged as assistant field secretary of N.A.E. and is actively occupied with promotional work in the eastern area.

BURN YOUR BRIDGES

The Call of the Christian Business Men's Committee

By Arnold Grunigen, Jr.
Investment Banker, San Francisco, Calif.
International Vice-Chairman

Christian Business Men have reported for action! When God's Word, the Bible, runs a "Want Ad", as for example, Ezekiel 22:30 — "And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge and stand in the gap," when dance bands and hill-billy orchestras start including hymns in their radio programmes, when the world is burning up and newspaper stories one after another recite instances of men caught in the extremities of life who have thoughts turning them to God, Christ and the Bible, then it is that men, real men, God's men, extroverts, aggressively evangelistic men, can remain immobile no longer.

Motionless, inactive and passive men not only present no challenge to the body of Christ; they are a real hindrance. As men we have accepted all the honours. We have so often carried our religion in our wife's name. Just like the charge account downtown. The women have taught the classes, attended the services, made the calls. Yes, it is all too true, we have had the name but have not been in the game. It is high time that when God cries out, "Men wanted", men of conviction, active men, red-blooded men, men that can show kindness, love, gentleness, I say it's time that we respond heartily, willingly and say like the one of old, "Here I am, Lord, send me."

Men Wanted

Our trouble has been indifference, helping to pay the Pastor's salary, assuming that he was to do all the spiritual work, which, as a matter of fact, has never been God's order or plan. Running a few church errands, passing out cards, serving on a committee or a board or two, these are the things that all too often until recently consumed that portion of time that a busy professional or business man allotted to his church.

It's all different now! Some of you think that's the first line of a chorus. It is, but I refer to a vehicle, honoured of God in a unique and special way; the Christian Business Men's Committee representing thousands of emancipated laymen, are, under God, prepared to pay the price.

Burning the bridges of convenience, lethargy and compromise — for it is no small matter to nail your banner to the masthead high — these Committees have moved ahead marvelously in the strength that God supplies. We made up our minds that the world had been a rebuke to us long enough. Men of the world stay up all night, do without meals and sleep, in order to perfect or discover that thing which will accomplish their end. Yet, God's men have gone snailing along. Just so that our ticket seemed to be punched, "Heaven", we were satisfied. At least, so it seemed.

The Founding Of CBMC

The call to action was first heard in Chicago in 1930. Now spread from Coast to Coast and throughout Eastern Canada as well as in New Zealand, the Committees have been formed and called to a varied line of activities in a supernatural manner. To reach the "up and out" — the most unreached element throughout our lands, men of attainment in the affairs of the world — with a witness for Christ, is our avowed "first" objective. After that has been given real attention and is bearing fruit, Christian Business Men's Committee International, a band of eleven men, who lovingly act as a steering group, for the entire operation, gladly encourage any activity that fits the particular situation or pressing need.

One of the greatest and most satisfactory results of this virile fellowship is demonstrated in the quickened spiritual lives of the men themselves. Burnishing each other has had far-reaching results. New inspiration has been added to men's lives. Widened fellowship and friendship have resulted. Better church members, men with stimulated spiritual thinking, have brought ideas and contacts to their own church groups, as a result. Pastors have preached to more interested listeners for now some of their men for the first time, in many cases, were listening with an eye toward giving out again.

Instructed Christians are built and nurtured here. What a need supplied! Fresh, live, up-to-the-minute testimonies, recited at every gathering, with constant evidences of the Almighty's working are stimulating. That is what goes on in these groups most of the time. Men working with men to reach men, have gone far toward making the Christian life the normal, everyday manner of life.

Money, health, mental training, are good things in their place. Christian business men who have burned their bridges, who have paid the price of letting their associates know where they stand (it's no mean decision) agree that those three things are not to be despised. But, they are motivated in their decision that, God helping them, they will put first things first, because we rise as one to say that Salvation is Everything.

God cannot use the "double-

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to make contributions from time to time" to those creditors who suffered financial losses in 1934, when the conventions [illegible] on a compromise basis.

The unusual action was voted by the convention of 1214 assembled messengers and visitors. Passage followed three hours of discussion.

Bob Jones College Creed

The students and faculty of Bob Jones College recite this creed at least once a day. All are instructed to memorize it as quickly as possible.

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Dr. Ockenga Addresses Business Men In New York

[illegible] men of the Metropolitan Area gathered at the Yale Club in New York on the evening of October 25 to listen to informative addresses by Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, Mr. Kenneth S. Keyes and Dr. J. Elwin Wright on the subject of the N.A.E. Mr. John Becker and Mr. Erling Olsen were helpful in making the arrangements. Mr. Philip Benson, president of the Dime Savings Bank in Brooklyn was toastmaster.

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The C.B.M.C. Of Capernaum

By TOM M. GLOOR

NOTE—While the following article was prepared especially for Christian Business Men's Committees, most of it applies equally to all Christian men.

It should be most refreshing to Christian Business Men's Committees to learn of the existence of what might be called a C. B. M. C. in the First Century of the Christian era, at Capernaum—the city which has the distinction of being called "His own city" (Matt.9:1).

In referring to Mark 2:1-12, we find a committee of four Christian Business men bringing a palsied (or paralytic) man to the Lord Jesus Christ—each willingly bearing his own share of the load.

If the word "Christian" means "one of Christ's," these four men were certainly Christians for they belonged to Christ. Their faith was in Him to a remarkable degree! This passage of Scripture remarks that "Jesus saw their faith" (v. 5). No one can be a Christian in the Scriptural sense of the word until he has placed personal faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, for "without faith it is impossible to please Him" (Heb. 11:16).

He Called Four Fishermen

The four men, in all likelihood, were fishermen, for they lived in Capernaum which was on the shore of Blue Galilee.

Christian Business Men's Committees are not particular as to the kind of business Christian men are engaged in, providing, of course, that it is a legitimate and honest business.

Although these four men earned their livelihood by catching fish, their real business was catching men for Christ. They were "fishers of men" as this incident clearly reveals. Every Christian Business Man should emulate them in this God-glorifying business of fishing for men (Mark 1-17).

They Knew Their Lord

The members of this original Committee knew their Lord—and they also know men. They were examples of Jeremiah 9:24 which says "Let him that glorieth glory in this that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the Lord which exercise loving kindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth; for in these things I delight said the Lord."

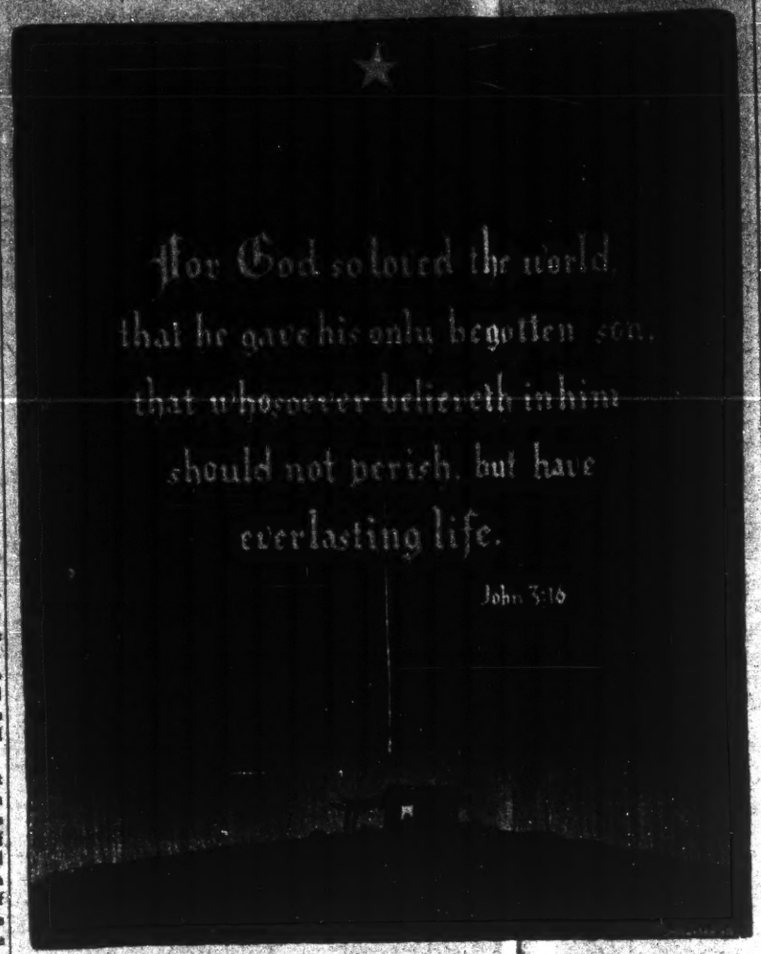
They knew that this paralytic needed Christ and they lost no time trying other persons and things. They struck off immediately for the One whom they confidently knew could and would meet this man's to the efforts put forth by the churches, however commendable they may be. But people will take notice when business men, who have nothing to gain personally through their efforts, will spend themesalves willingly and be spent in all sorts of unusual undertakings in order that others might find the Saviour.

There may be some dust and noise as they proceed. In other words, there may be some criticism on the part of some who feel that all spiritual efforts belong inside the church organizations. As a matter of fact, the business men are more than ready to cooperate with pastors and Christian forces where the salvation of souls and enrichment of Christian lives is the objective. But regardless of criticism, the Christian Business Men's Committee must not be deterred in the accomplishment of their mission—of winning souls to Christ.

Various Methods Used

One of the extraordinary methods used by the Christian Business Men of San Francisco was to establish a testimony at the Golden Gate International Exposition where Mr. Irwin Moon with over a ton of portable electrical equipment demonstrated daily the scientific accuracy of the Bible. Hundreds of thousands of people

YOUR CHALLENGE FOR 1944



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Have Record Gathering Of Christian Business Men In Toronto

TORONTO, Canada — The sixth annual convention of the Christian Business Men's Committee, International, was held in this city, October 21-24, with a record attendance of over six hundred delegates and friends. Every section of the United States and Canada was represented. Sixty-three cities now have local committees which are affiliated with the International Committee.

Committee and devoted himself unsparingly to the convention arrangements. Dr. C. S. Clappison was the Toronto chairman. Everything possible was done for the convenience and enjoyment of the delegates.

Much time during the convention was devoted to reports of the work of local committees. There were thrilling stories of answers to prayer and

Spokane Holds 2-Day Regional Conference

SPOKANE, Wash.—A recent two day regional conference of the National Association was held in the Knox Presbyterian Church of this city, of which Rev. C. R. Koehler is the pastor.

Rev. G. E. Landen, pastor of the Euclid Ave. Baptist Church and chairman of the regional committee presided.

The speakers were Dr. Richard Ellsworth Day, Mr. Kenneth S. Keyes and Dr. James Elwin Wright.

Plans were advanced for

Modern Advertising And The Gospel

A marvelous parallel presented by

ARNOLD TORSELL

Advertising representative of the Chicago Daily News, Prominent Christian layman, member of the Elim Evangelical Free Church of Chicago.

We Have A "Product" To Sell

Practically every business and profession finds its counterpart in the Scriptures, and in the broad pattern of a modern advertising agency may be developed a formula for the effective spreading of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For surely no responsibility of the believer is so challenging as the urgency of witnessing—influencing and persuading others to "taste and see," using every opportunity and device to "sell" those with whom we come in contact, the blessings of a saving faith. And no Christian privilege is so rewarding.

Modern advertising is primarily functional. Its job is to sell goods and create acceptance of a name. As an economic force, it is useful only as it is productive. Should anything less be expected of our spiritual lives than that they be fruitful?

Advertising begins on the assumption that it has something to offer. It may be either a product or a service. As Christians, our "product" is the gospel. We are certain that it meets a need, for all have sinned, and again "except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God." It has merit, for down through the ages men have willingly died for it. There are two tests which every advertising product must face—does it meet a need, and does it have merit? Failing of either it soon fades into obscurity. Under the severest of trials, the gospel has stood the refiner's fire and today is a living, vibrant reality in millions of hearts.

There Is a World Market

Advertising next concerns itself with the market—where the product may be sold. Obviously, it would be folly to attempt to advertise fur coats in a torrid climate, or to suggest bathing suits to the inhabitants of Nome, Alaska. So intelligent advertising locates markets where its product and its promotion efforts have a reasonable chance of success

others to an acceptance of that which has so completely satisfied our lives.

Has Two Basic Appeals

Copy in advertising is that which you have to say. Essentially, it is the message to those whom you wish to influence. Primarily, copy has only two basic emotional appeals. One is positive, the other is negative. In positive copy, the appeal makes a promise of contentment, security, comfort, style, beauty, etc. In the negative appeal, the approach is from the other angle. Failure to make use of the product or service may involve dangers—lack of health, denial of comforts, loss of time, energy, etc.

How complete is the analogy of advertising with the gospel on the point of copy! The wages of sin, says the negative approach, is death, but the positive gives the joyous assurance that the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ.

The essentials of good advertising copy are facts, brevity, simplicity, sincerity. Need any comment be made that these are the essentials of an effective personal testimony? How important it is to be able

Strategy Planned In Prayer Closet

And there is likewise a strategy necessary in the preparation in the Christian witness, in the life which is to be fruitful in winning acceptance for the Christian product, the gospel. This strategy is planned in the prayer closet and in the precious hours before God's Word. Our presentation of the Lord will be conditioned almost entirely by the depth and fervor of our prayer lives and our knowledge and understanding of the plan of salvation. These two nurtures will largely fix our convictions, our faith and our enthusiasm for that which we are seeking to offer to others. If we are to be effective witnesses we must ourselves be completely "sold" on our product. It must work in our own lives. And we can be convincing only to the extent that we are enthusiastic and thoroughly informed. If ever there was a time when we needed to be ready at all times to give a reason of our hope it is now. Informed, intelligent, vital and vibrant Christian lives are necessary if the Christian gospel is to be widely disseminated today. Our prayer lives and our spiritual knowledge are the basis for our strategy.

No advertising campaign ever succeeded which was not predicated on continuity, on a persistent, regular and constant pressure against a market. "Keep everlastingly at it," a large agency cautions its clients, because it knows that in repetition lies the secret of building a name or a reputation. Well-planned, long-range thinking pays best in advertising.

"Paul knew this to be true in the strength of the Christian life and testimony, too, because he urged his young friend, Timothy, to be "instant in season and out of season." Our lives, to be fruitful, must be lived on a constant spiritual level, always ready and eager to respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. In that attitude of readiness we will not need to use our own inventiveness to seek out souls or to witness, but the Holy Spirit will lead us to them. Everywhere there are hearts that are

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Members of the Christian Business Men's Committees today are aware of the same thing and ignore all expedients and they endeavor to get their man to the Lord Himself.

When the four came with their prospect to the house where the Lord was, they were confronted with what must have seemed like an insurmountable obstacle. The parallel passage, Luke 5:17, informs us that "every town of Galilee and Judea" as well as the city of Jerusalem were represented there.

They Employed Unusual Methods

With such a multitude in and around the house, they could not enter the usual way — through the door — they must resort to the unusual. What would they do under the circumstances?

These men decided on raising the roof. They had to remove the tiling to do it (Luke 5:19). This of necessity would cause dust, dirt, and noise; but such things could not deter them in the accomplishing of their mission. If there were objectors to this extraordinary procedure, the objections were either ignored or overruled; for the men carried out their program and succeeded in bringing the paralytic in contact with the Lord Jesus Christ.

There Is A General Awakening

There is a general awakening among Christian business men today as they realize that the masses of people about them are as helpless spiritually, as that paralytic was physically. What these masses of people need is Jesus Christ! How can they be brought to Him?

To answer this question is to state why Christian Business Men's Committees, local, national and international, have been formed. Many of the people of the world are indifferent [illegible] methods used by the Christian Business Men of San Francisco, was to establish a testimony at the Golden Gate International Exposition where Mr. Irvin Moon with over a ton of portable electrical equipment demonstrated daily the scientific accuracy of the Bible. Hundreds of thousands of people attended these demonstrations. Hundreds of precious souls confessed Christ as Saviour and went rejoicing on their way. Many saints were edified and the perplexed ones had their questions answered.

Some of the other activities of the Christian Business Men's Committee are in the form of radio broadcasts. These often consist of short, clear-cut testimonies of the business men themselves as they testify that Christianity is not something to be laid aside with the Sunday clothes, but a vital part of their lives — to be put in practice daily.

Groups of these business men unite as Gospel teams and hold services in churches, missions, and wherever they are invited.

Stress Personal Evangelism

Among the Christian Business men personal evangelism is being stressed through conversations, and through tract and Gospel distribution. This is proving most effective in bringing souls and lives to Christ.

Often some special effort is put forth in a theatre or central gathering place. Some outstanding evangelist is called and noon-day Gospel meetings are held daily. The Lord has also richly blessed this method.

But whatever the methods, usual or unusual; whether there is criticism, or whether there is commendation, it is time for all who are Christian Business Men to awake to our privilege and responsibilities. Let us unite our forces, enjoy each other's fellowship, and with the holy zeal and purpose of heart let us look to the Lord to make us quick to suggest methods of reaching sin-sick souls with the glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ, and let us look to the Lord for guidance and power to carry them out at all hazards.

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The Royal York Hotel, largest hostelry in the Dominion, was convention headquarters. The pre-convention session on the evening of the 20th was marked by an impressive prayer service and observance of communion.

The C.B.M.C. is devoted to the propagation of the gospel by laymen. It includes men from all evangelical groups. Its interests are diversified in the various cities. Usually there is a weekly luncheon group. In many instances the committees sponsor radio programs, service centers, teams of volunteer workers for witnessing in missions, on the street, in jails and hospitals and before men's groups in churches.

Among the oldest of the committees are the one in Chicago of which Frank Sheriff is the executive secretary, and the one in San Francisco of which Arnold Grunigen is the prime factor. Detroit has what is possibly the most diversified program of any city. Its work includes sponsoring Bible conferences and evangelistic services, child evangelism classes, Christian Service Brigade (for junior boys), Pioneer Girls (for junior girls), Miracle Book Club chapters, Voice of Christian Youth, open air meetings, community churches in unchurched districts, detention home calling and jail services, hospital visitation, Christian workers bureau (supplying laymen to fill pulpits, etc.) prayer bands, and many other things designed to evangelize.

Mr. Rowland Hill of London, Ontario, is the Canadian member of the International [illegible] chairman. Everything possible was done for the convenience and enjoyment of the delegates.

Much time during the convention was devoted to reports of the work of local committees. There were thrilling stories of answers to prayer and victories won. Mr. R. G. Le Tourneau, president of the International Committee, spoke on several occasions.

At the business session on Saturday, October 23, the following members were elected to the International Committee for the coming year: President, R. G. Le Tourneau of Toccoa, Ga.; Vice-President, Arnold Grunigen of San Francisco; Secretary - Treasurer, Paul Fischer of Chicago; William Bond of Washington, D. C.; H. E. Eavey of Xenia, Ohio; Charles E. Gremmels of New York; Boyd W. Hargraves of Chattanooga; Rowland Hill, Jr., of London, Ont.; N. A. Jepson of Seattle; Reimer Loomis, of Chicago; Leon H. Sullivan of Philadelphia; Robert S. Swanson of Flushing, N. Y.; R. E. Zannoth of Detroit, Mich.

The annual banquet was held Saturday evening with an attendance of six hundred. Many were turned away for lack of room.

On Sunday more than two score pulpits of the city were filled by delegates. In the afternoon there was a mass meeting at the Church of the Crusaders.

The convention marked a new high both in attendance and spiritual blessing. It is believed that the plans which are to be put in operation will result in the organization of many new committees during the coming year.

The 1944 meeting will go to Minneapolis. A strong bid was entered by the Boston Committee for the 1945 convention.

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Rev. C. E. Landin, pastor of the Euclid Ave. Baptist Church and chairman of the regional committee presided.

The speakers were Dr. Richard Ellsworth Day, Mr. Kenneth S. Keyes and Dr. James Elwin Wright.

Plans were advanced for conducting Bible conferences periodically in various cities of the Inland Empire. It was also decided to employ, in conjunction with Western Washington and Oregon, a full time executive secretary.

Dr. McClure Heads St. Louis N. A. E.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Dr. Walter E. McClure, pastor of the Memorial Presbyterian Church, was elected chairman of the St. Louis Committee of the National Association of Evangelicals at a recent meeting here. Rev. Thomas F. Zimmerman, of Granite City, Ill., was elected vice chairman. A strong committee, representative of nearly a score of denominations is being formed. Rev. Richard H. Harvey, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, will serve as secretary.

The meetings were addressed by Dr. R. E. Day of Sunnyvale, Calif., Mr. Kenneth S. Keyes of Miami, and Dr. J. Elwin Wright of Boston.

Invitation For All Christian Business Men

Tom Olson's article voices God's call to all men who belong to Jesus, to witness for Him.

It also mentions a few of many important Gospel activities in which local Christian Business Men's Committees are engaged.

If you believe it contains a call to you, and wish to learn more about the Christian Business Men's Committee movement and the mode of organization of local Committees, address

PAUL B. FISCHER
Secretary, Christian Business Men's Committee International
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The wise selection of media to carry the message is extremely important to productive advertising and to the problem of distribution. Where shall the advertiser attain the greatest coverage, reach the greatest number of people? Newspapers, magazines, billboards, direct - mail, radio, these are some of the principal channels available. Each has its function and he must determine which will serve him best. On what channels must our Lord depend for the dissemination of His message of salvation? Quite simply, on the "ye" in the great commission —his friends, born-again believers, those whose lives have been transformed by His power. Even the devices of modern advertising may be employed for spreading the gospel, but there is no agency as effective as the personal witness.

A Cost To Be Paid

Modern advertising costs money. Yet, it is costly or cheap in the measure that it is productive. Pages in our metropolitan newspapers run into four figures, in our national magazines into many thousands, and one nation-wide radio program is reputed to involve an outlay of $45,000 for a single broadcast. Salvation is free, to be sure, but there is a cost to be reckoned with too. If we are to be effective witnesses we must be ready to present our bodies, a living sacrifice and that is reasonable. Complete surrender to His will is part of the cost. Not only does he ask for our spiritual yieldedness, but he asks that our intellectual and physical powers be on the altars as well. Only then can we attain the highest producivity in moving [illegible] and that the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ.

The essentials of good advertising copy are facts, brevity, simplicity, sincerity. Need any comment be made that these are the essentials of an effective personal testimony? How important it is to be able to say, "I know that my Redeemer liveth," or again, with Paul, "I know whom I have believed," in dealing with a soul in need of a Saviour.

A great premium is placed upon sincerity in business, or test and judgment in briefly introducing the Lord to others who know Him not. Nothing is so winsome as a simplicity in our faith, and nothing is so potent as sincerity. It is sad to admit that frequently a bold profession has been quietly discredited by insincere Christian attitude and conduct.

Advertising Depends On Illustration

Modern advertising in this streamlined age depends upon illustration. Graphic presentation is widely used in order to get over swift impressions upon the reading or listening public. Artists are paid handsomely for portraying with pictures the significance of the written message. Our lives are the illustration of the power of the gospel message. Nothing so quickly arouses contempt as a carelessly-lived Christian life, and nothing so effectively convinces as a life which is a consistent expression of a sincere faith.

There is one phase of advertising which is sometimes difficult to define. It is the strategy, the conception, necessary to make a campaign as successful as possible. This strategy seeks to forecast psychological reactions, to understand the subtle forces which motivate people, and how these forces can be employed to move people into the acceptance or purchase of a product or line of merchandise. The best thinking of advertising goes into this phase of the preparation and often costly surveys are made to make the decisions as scientific as possible. Pre-testing of a campaign in a small area is often used before the full-scale plan goes into operation. Timing is an extremely important factor. As few things as possible are left to chance. Great sums of money are involved. They must be made to produce.

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End Of All Effort — Results

The end of all advertising effort is results. In the last analysis that is the only reason why business spends money to promote its goods. There may be other factors involved, but essentially advertising justifies itself only when it brings back into the business a profit for the appropriation invested.

And here, too, the analogy rings true. The end and hope of our Christian witnessing is to win others for Christ. The results which we pray for are changed and transformed lives. We are driven to this effort by His consuming love and also by the knowledge that "he that winneth souls is wise."

The need for the day, as it always has been, is for courageous, militant, separated Christians. Christians who know what they believe, and believe it so strongly that they are impelled to share that knowledge with others, doing so, withal, tactfully, graciously, intelligently and enthusiastically. God will honor that kind of a testimony. And the world will respect it.

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by SIDNEY CORBETT,
EDITOR OF MISSIONARY DIGEST

Over three hundred missionaries, returnees of the Gripsholm, arrived in New York on December 22nd, on the British Liner, Gripsholm

I arrived in New York City one day before the arrival of the Gripsholm, but we had no sooner arrived at the hotel when Hart Armstrong, the Associate Editor of the Missionary Digest, met us with the word that the Gripsholm had arrived. We dashed across town, through the Hudson tunnel and finally arrived at Pier F with a Speed Graphic well in sight, my credentials in hand, the word "press" on my lips and a prayer in my heart as we passed the hundred or more policemen, customs officers, F. B. I. men and found ourselves in the midst of the largest gathering of press men, photographers, camera men, which have met in New York for any occasion since the war, the arrival of the exchange ship the Gripsholm.

The first family to step free on America soil was the Whitaker family. They stood there before the battery of cameras, a hundred or more flash bulbs going off at split-second intervals. One reporter yelled, "Can't you smile, Mr. Whitaker?" Mr. Whitaker beaming said, "Sure, I can smile now." In the arms of Mrs. Whitaker was a baby born at sea. There was tenseness when that first family passed by the Red Cross and were home in the United States of America.

I talked to dozens of missionaries who had been prisoners of the Japanese from Manila, Hong Kong, to Japan. The following incidents were picked up from many lips from Pier F to the Prince George Hotel, the headquarters of the repatriated missionaries. I asked one missionary lady how she felt when the Japs first came. She said, "It was a frightening experience when the door suddenly was pushed open and into the house walked four Japanese soldiers and one officer." "They did not knock ask if they might come in." They were conquerors. The missionary knew what to do, she knew that the Bible says if your enemy hunger, feed him" so she graciously suggested that they be seated and she would serve tea. Imagine the audacity of suggesting tea. The missionary acted as if it were a few casual callers, calmly and quietly, she prepared tea and served it to the [illegible] soldiers and officer. They without taking a thing, without commandeering house. These missionaries were allowed to remain in their homes for the duration of their stay in Shanghai.

There were two modes of imprisonment. First, there was free of charge, and then making gamblers out of them and finally giving them opium thereby bringing to pass disintegration of the youth of China.

No religious services were conducted by the missionaries, however, the Chinese church has been forced to produce its own leadership. It shows a remarkable tendency toward unity. It has groups uniting everywhere in their churches and worship. The thousands of Jews of Shanghai were robbed and placed in a Ghetto. The Japanese copied their big brother Hitler in their persecution of these people.

The greatest suffering has come from the terrible inflation and increase in prices of seven thousand percent. A bag of rice costing two thousand dollars; milk, ten dollars a quart; carrots, seven dollars a pound; one chicken, a hundred and forty dollars; one suit, four thousand dollars; one day in a hospital, one hundred and forty dollars; one egg, four dollars; one orange, one dollar and fifty cents; to build a house, a hundred thousand dollars; to rent one room, one thousand dollars. In view of these prices quoted in Chinese dollars then you can imagine what is happening to missionaries who lived on very limited allowances.

It was a great day when word was brought to three hundred odd missionaries that they were to be repatriated. They gathered in the morning at the pier and there a most thorough custom examination was made. Their clothes were dumped on the floor, hems were ripped to find secret notes, every article was examined. Bibles, books, all notes were taken from them. Finally they were upon the Japanese boat, they carried bread with them on the deck of the boat and ate it like [illegible]

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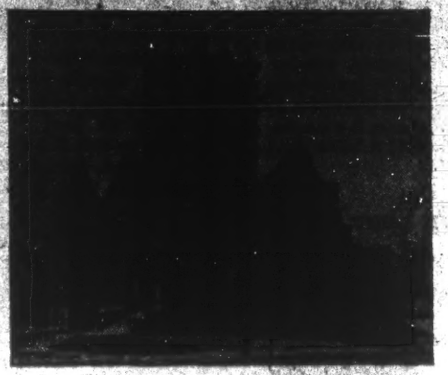

In 1893 the Reverend Joseph B. Hingeley was pastor of the Thirteenth Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, located at Thirteenth Avenue and Tenth Street, and also preached on Sunday afternoons in a vacant store building on the Northeast corner of the intersection of Chicago Avenue and Thirty-fifth Street to those who could not get to the Thirteenth Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church.

The attendance at these afternoon meetings grew considerably and the congregation was invited to meet at the Chicago Avenue Baptist Church. In June, 1893 a young high school teacher, Thompson W. Stout, was called to shepherd the little flock.

The City Missionary and Church Extension Society purchased two beautiful lots, at a cost of $3,000 on Park Avenue and Thirty-fourth Street and presented them to the newly organized Church which was henceforth to be kown as Park Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church.

It was now imperative that a place of worship be provided. Immediately, therefore, a building thirty-feet square was projected and its construction undertaken. During the summer of 1897, the fourth year of Mr. Stout's pastorate, a Prayer Room was added to the building, and in the summer of 1898 an addition was made to the main room of the church by which its capacity was doubled. The construction of the present church building was begun in July, 1909, and the new basement was occupied for the first time on Sunday, August 13, 1911. Here worship was continued for three years. In the summer of 1914, the sanctuary was completed and the building was dedicated on December 13, 1914.

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NEWS OF CHRIST AMERICA ORGANIZATION

This new movement had its inception at Philadelphia in May and has as its chief purpose that of evangelizing the metropolitan centers of our nation; towns and cities where such large numbers of people are concentrated.

The Chairman of CHRIST FOR AMERICA is Horace F. Dean, former Vice President of the Philadelphia School of the Bible, and with him a Board of eight other directors including well-known Christian leaders from various parts of the nation are responsible for this business of evangelization. In addition, there are seventy-five members of a National Council representing most of the states of the union.

Dr. Jack Mitchell Joins Organization

Many requests are being received from all parts of the nation for help in planning union campaigns. To meet these needs, and organization of associated evangelists is in process of formation, and it is planned also to open regional offices in several widely separated cities. Dr. Jack Mitchell is a powerful gospel preacher and combines this gift of God with unusual ability to teach the Word of God. The Mitchell meetings, it is hoped, will glean many precious souls not won in the recent Greater Philadelphia Appelman campaign which concluded on October 31.

Appleman Conducted Philadelphia Campaign

This Appelman campaign at Philadelphia was sponsored by CHRIST FOR AMERICA and during October there were separate and yet connected campaigns in Chester, Camden, N. J. and Willow Grove, Pennsylvania and a final week at Town Hall, Philadelphia. Evangelist Appelman preached one hundred times during the month to estimated crowds totaling more than thirty thousand. Several hundred are known to have confessed Christ and many Christians were restored to fellowship with the Lord. In addition, a great radio ministry with unknown results was carried on during the full month.

At Chester, Pennsylvania, the fifteen cooperating pastors feel that they had the greatest campaign in twenty years in that city. As an immediate outgrowth of these campaigns, permanent committees for evangelism have been formed. At Camden, N. J., the thirty-five churches associated in the campaign have united in a continuous Gospel billboard ministry which for the year will cost thirty-five hundred dollars and will maintain a strong city-wide testimony with changing posters each two months. Nearly two hundred churches, all told, supported these campaigns and more than one hundred twenty-five of these contributed toward the needs. No collection plates were passed in any meeting. More than twelve thousand dollars was required for these campaigns, all of which has been given cheerfully by God's people. This alone has made a great impression upon the unsaved in these communities.

Spring and Summer Campaigns Planned

Spring and summer campaigns have been planned for Buffalo, New York, San Jose, California, Lancaster and Allentown, Pennsylvania and other places are underway. At Los Angeles a strong local committee is now formed to direct a Greater Los Angeles campaign during October 1944 with Hyman Appelman as evangelist. The original dates for this were January 2-23 but because of the heavy rains in January, this new date has been set.

Work Among Service Camps

CHRIST FOR AMERICA has conducted two weeks of evangelistic services at Fort Dix in the camp, jointly with the Pocket Testament League of New York and a recent gift of one thousand dollars has been made by a friend to carry additional [illegible] work. Plans are being made now for several trained evangelists to work in nearby camps and your prayers are invited that doors may be opened. At Fort Dix over one hundred men confessed Christ as Saviour.

Plans have just been completed for short preaching missions in fifteen air training bases in the East during the month of January and the prayers of God's people will be appreciated in this connection. The definite aim of these meetings will be the salvation of many service men.

The "Happy Clarks," well known Christian radio singers, are now members of the field staff and are in charge of the musical phase of some of these meetings.

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A number of invitations are coming from Canadian cities and it is planned that as soon as the way opens, campaigns will be arranged in Canada under the motto "CHRIST FOR CANADA" — "CHRIST FOR WINNIPEG," etc.

Prayer partners are wanted [illegible] prayer requests, praising God for answered prayer, and a periodical report. Send your names and addresses at once to the office of the partnership. A free booklet called "Revival Demands on Prayer" is given to each prayer partner.

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Up-to-date information re Changing Russia in "The Friend of Russians" — sample copy free on request; sent free for a year for any donation for the Russian work.

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There were two modes of imprisonment. First, there was internment. The food was often sour bread and soup that tasted like dishwater. The rice was yellow and cracked—some preferred to go hungry, rather than eat the food. There was a squad of twenty five or thirty women that were known as dewormers. Their task was to go over the rice carefully and remove the worms. One man lost seventy-eight pounds in a Hong Kong internment camp. A photographer that I talked to lost thirty-eight pounds. There was real suffering.

Others, however, were allowed limited freedom but limited freedom had its stringent restrictions. Upon their arms they must wear an armband with the letter "A" standing for American and their number. They were given freedom of the streets with also freedom to see a great many terrible things happening. Perhaps some incident would occur in a neighborhood and the entire block or more would be barricaded. No food would be allowed to go in and hundreds of innocent people would suffer starvation. Around the barricaded district would be strung barbed-wire. Behind the barbed-wire were the soldiers with their wicked guns and bayonets.

Upon the streets of Shanghai were picked up thousands of bodies of refugees who had died from starvation. Literally truck loads of human bodies thrown on top of one another like gunnie sacks would be taken to the dumping grounds. The destruction of thousands of young women by rape is a fact, one missionary said. Another told of the infamous plans to destroy the young men by open houses of gambling with hawkers on the streets, inviting the Chinese boys to come in and eat food. They gathered in the morning at the pier and there a most thorough custom examination was made. Their clothes were dumped on the floor, hems were ripped to find secret notes, every article was examined. Bibles, books, all notes were taken from them. Finally they were upon the Japanese boat, they carried bread with them on the deck of the boat and ate it like apples. The greatest moment was when they saw steaming into the little Indian harbor the exchange ship, Gripsholm. Up to this time most of them believed that the allies had lost the war against Japan. It was a "walk-a-way" in favor of Japan as one man said. The United States had done nothing, her Navy had been completely destroyed, and it was not until they boarded the Gripsholm that they received the news that American warships are plowing the Pacific in ever increasing number and the Stars and Stripes is bringing liberty to island after island. The disgrace of Pearl Harbor wiped from our records and once again we are completely on the offensive. The great missionary fields of the East will once again open to a legion of missionaries who shall go forth with Christ as their message.

There were no storms aseа, there was only happiness and contentment. Before the statue of Liberty they gathered on the decks and sang "God bless America." They stood there under the battery of lights, free men and women, bewildered, laughing, hesitant as to which way to go. I followed them to the Prince George Hotel and there groups of two to ten chatted and talked. There was a cry as someone recognized a missionary friend across the room that he had not seen for eight, ten, twelve years. There was a missionary flying back to Free China. There was a missionary family going soon by freighter to Free China. The constant talk of all missionaries was not the joy of being home but how soon they would be able to return to China, to the Philippines and yes to Japan with the gospel of Jesus Christ who makes all men brothers.

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The hundredth anniversary of the creation of the Board of Foreign Missions in 1819 was celebrated during the five-year period from 1919 to 1923 inclusive. The people of the Methodist Episcopal Church were asked to contribute the sum of one hundred and five million dollars to be used in launching a great forward movement in missionary work both home and foreign.

The greatest revival this Church has known was held in November, 1932, under the leadership of John Thomas, the Welsh Evangelist. Out of that revival there have come nine young ministers.

In June, 1942, Rev. George G. Vallentyne was required by the law of the Church to retire from this pulpit which he had held for nearly forty-two years. Bishop Ralph S. Cushman appointed Rev. Robert D. Aanand to succeed him. Mr. Annand had for seven years been Pastor of Grace Methodist Church in the city, where he had done a very superior piece of work. Under his ministry the church continues to prosper spiritually.

The Park Avenue Methodist Church was received into the National Association of Evangelicals in May, 1943.

Predicts Air Travel Will Help Spread Gospel Throughout the World

OKLAHOMA CITY (RNS)—Air travel and modern methods of communication will aid in spreading the gospel throughout the world, Dr. M. T. Rankin, secretary for the Orient of the Foreign Mission Board of the Baptist Church, predicted here in addressing the Oklahoma General Baptist Convention.

Missionaries to foreign fields already are employing air travel to reach and return from their fields of work, Dr. Rankin said, adding that use of short wave radio and other modern communication means will expedite missionary work in the future.

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April 12 — Meeting of the Board of Administration
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April 13-14 — Work-Study Groups in Missions, Evangelism, Education, Radio and many other subjects.

15 — Work-Study Groups and Business Sessions

16 — Two great mass meetings

17 — Adoption of revisions to the constitution, reports, election of officers, selection of city for convention of 1945. Banquet in the evening.

For preliminary folders containing additional information, address: National Association of Evangelicals
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Evangelical Leaders

Albert Sidney Johnson, a native of Tuscumbia, Alabama, son of George William Arthur Johnson, cavalry commander in the Confederate States Army, was educated at Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn, Alabama, where he specialized in chemistry. He entered a business life and was successful while in business. Feeling a call to the ministry, he attended and graduated from Union Theological Seminary in Virginia.

Dr. Johnson married Miss Cecil Sharon Lipton of Cleveland, Tennessee and is the father of four children, Albert Sidney, Jr., deceased; Elizabeth, wife of Lieut. Commander Jessie H. Campbell, U. S. Navy; Captain William F. Johnson, U. S. Marine Corps and Major Richard S. Johnson, U. S. Marine Corps.

Dr. Johnson has been pastor of only three churches,—First Presbyterian Church, Jackson, Tennessee where he built two churches; South Highland Church, Birmingham, Alabama and the First Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, North Carolina, serving in the latter church for twenty-four years.

After Dr. Johnson reorganized the work at South Highland Church on a very successful basis, he was followed there by the famous Greek preacher and evangelist, Dr. John McNeil.

The work in Charlotte was very successful and aggressive. This church is one of the strongest and most prominent churches in the country. It has a magnificent property, consisting of four acres in the heart of the city. Under Dr. Johnson's ministry this church was the largest contributor to missions and benevolences in the Southern Assembly. The contributions amounted to $40,000 or $50,000 year after year with as much as $20,000 to $30,000 given to other benevolences. The operating expenses of the church amounted to less than one fourth of the benevolent gifts. Here in Charlotte he organized and helped to organize several churches.

Dr. Johnson has preached and conducted evangelistic services in many of the prominent churches of America, in the cities of Boston, Philadelphia, New York, Chicago, Dallas, Fort Worth, Hollywood, California and others.

Since resigning his pastorate in Charlotte more than two years ago, he has given his whole time to this ministry and evangelistic work. He supplied for nine months the First Presbyterian Church of Jackson, Mississippi and for three and a half months at the First Presbyterian Church of Memphis, Tennessee. At present he is serving as interim pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Bristol, Tennessee.

He has served on many church commissions and committees, including Vice-chairman, War Council, Presbyterian Church, U. S. World War I; Vice-president of World Conference on Christian Fundamentals; member, Board of Managers, Lord's Day Alliance of New York; representing Presbyterian Church, U. S. on Alliance of Reformed Churches of the World since 1931; delegate to World Conference at Montreal; former member of Southern Advisory Committee, International Society of Christian Endeavor; former member of Interdenominational Advisory Committee of Hebrew Christian Alliance of America; former honorary Vice-president, Lord's Day Alliance of U. S.; [illegible] Grand Council, [illegible] of Davidson College, 1938; (honorary Doctor of Divinity by Davidson College in 1923); member, National Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies; member of historical, patriotic, [illegible] Committee for Jewish Army of Stephen and Palestinian Jews.

Dr. Johnson is a member of the Board of Administration of N.A.E.

Burn Your Bridges

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minded man" who "is unstable in all his ways". He is looking for men who are single-minded for His glory, who have cut clean from the world, the flesh and the devil, men who have not only crossed the bridge to Beulah Land but have burned it behind them!

The Business Man Searched

When I was comparatively new in the Lord's service I came to New York for a meeting of the Banker's Association. I was also invited to speak at the Fulton Street Prayer Meeting. The Fulton Street brethren wanted to make the occasion count for the utmost in reaching the up-and-out class, and, unknown to me, sent out cards of announcement and invitation to nearly every banker in New York City. Well, they didn't bring many men to the Prayer Meeting, but those cards surely put a tag on me among the bankers. I was shoved right out into the middle of the stream and it was a case of sink or swim. I just had to take a stand before all that business crowd and let them know that Christ was first in my life. I've never been sorry that God did that to me in New York. I needed that shove, and I've been happier ever since, in the middle of the stream.

If you, my friend, are still [illegible] God [illegible] your [illegible] If you're [illegible] behind you of comfort or pleasure, or honor, or fame, or anything that keeps you from wholehearted surrender to Christ your Lord, get busy and burn those bridges. (Luke 14:26-33). Commit yourself finally, irrevocably, publicly to the cause of the Lord Jesus Christ. It may look like a lost cause sometimes, but its success never was, never is, and never shall be in doubt for a moment. Step out into God's faithfulness and see!

It is Christ whom "white-collar" men need — belief in Him. They do not attend our churches or evangelistic meetings, nor are they exposed to the Gospel in any way. America and Canada have run the gamut of stimulating the intellect, but folks all around us are heart-hungry. Men enjoying membership on a C.B.M.C. — a heart-warming fellowship — are in a preferred position to do the special witnessing job necessary with this group. Business or professional men with the courage and knowledge, wisdom and tact required, can register for our Saviour in a way that no other band of Christians could.

Our decision that, although secure in our salvation we yet have a life to live, has helped to urge us on. To be counted worthy to be His representatives causes us to pray that we might walk softly before Him. Our testimony is that C.B.M.C. has aided us greatly in the maintenance of Christian homes and family altars. These international contacts have brought numbers of visiting commercial men into our homes, to our tables. Children have been enabled to see that Christianity works out in life. First worked in, through the ministration of the Holy Spirit, it works out through all types of men.

God has called us, "Take up your cross and follow me." It is highly likely that we can also be in a position to do it as well. If true, what a responsibility is thrown on us. Have humble we must be in and through it all. We are responsible not only for what we do, but also for our influence, which might prompt others to do right or wrong. Our unconscious influence is great. Surely we need the power of God in our lives. The grace of God provided the ingredients we covet most. Positive character to everything we put our hands to and the energy of the Holy Spirit being displayed in every project we undertake. Our head, heart and hands must be kept in line. Who could do it for us but the Lord Jesus Christ?

Time To Launch Out

The world is waiting for Christians to put holy boldness, real colour, life, warmth into the business of being a Christian. Pastors, evangelists, missionaries, elders, deacons, trustees, vestrymen, who know the Lord, thank God for ardent, earnest, zealous, intense, enthusiasts for Christ. C. B. M. C.'s desire, God helping us, to be such an influence. That is our objective in addition to our "prime motive" of making Christ known in the field that is most untouched, the business and professional life of our nation.

All readers of this article who know how to pray, will please give this "new thing" that God has done, mention in your prayers. Our heart's desire is to be in line with His will, to have our numbers augmented, new city committees formed, so that when we meet in Toronto in October, 1944, the Lord willing, for our sixth Annual Convention, we shall experience His blessing. Truly we can say, "There is none else beside Him."

Navy Reports 13 Casualties Among Chaplains

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — Thirteen Navy chaplains are already listed as casualties in World War II, Capt. Robert D. Workman, Chief of Navy Chaplains, announced here.

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January 11 Central Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Sessions at 3:00 and 7:30 P.M.

Speakers:

Dr. John W. Bradbury of New York

Dr. Dan Iverson of Miami

Dr. J. Elwin Wright of Boston

January 12 First Methodist Church, Birmingham, Alabama
Sessions daily

10:30 A.M. Exclusively for pastors and church leaders

12:10 P.M. For business people

3:00 P.M. Bible Conference session for everyone

7:30 P.M. Popular evangelistic service

Speakers:

Dr. Bob Shuler of Los Angeles in addition to

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